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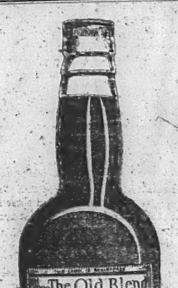

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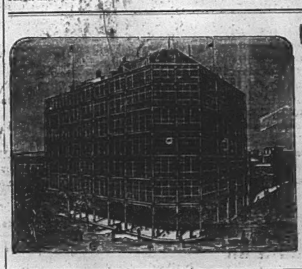

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Direction of wind	N.E.
Force of Anemometer	22
State of Sea	Slight
Barometer corrected	767.4
Evaporation	5.3
State of Clouds	1/4 clouded
During 24 hours ending 8 a.m. — Max. Temp. in the shade	19
Min. do. do.	10
Humidity	57
Rainfall in inches	0.00

REMARKS.
The long spell of rainy weather seems at last to have come to an end. Although the morning was slightly dull there are prospects of sunshine, and the air is warmer. The glass is rising.

OTHER STATIONS.
OBSERVATIONS BY SURVEY DEPARTMENT.
For the 24 hours ending 8 a.m. yesterday.

Stations.	Max. temp. in the shade.	Min. temp. in the shade.	Stations.	Max. temp. in the shade.	Min. temp. in the shade.
Port Said	17	9	Merowe	34	—
Suez	19	9	Berber	—	—
Heliopolis	18	7	Suakin	—	—
Ghizeh	20	7	Khartoum	—	—
Assiout	20	4	Wad Medani	—	—
Assouan	19	5	Roseires	—	—
Wady Halfa	21	5			

FOREIGN STATIONS.

Stations.	Barom.	Wind	Temp.	State of Sea.
Trieste	770.0	Calm	8	Calm
Malta	769.0	Very light	11	Slight
Brindisi	767.3	Strong	12	Rough
Athens	768.7	Almost calm	12	Slight
Limassol	—	—	—	—

PHASES OF THE MOON.

		THE SUN. Rises a.m.	Sets p.m.
Dec. 3 First Quarter	2. 6 p.m.	6.36	4.55
„ 11 Full Moon	1.36 a.m.	6.42	4.50
„ 19 Last Quarter	5. 9 p.m.	6.46	4.53
„ 26 New Moon	6. 4 a.m.	6.49	4. 1

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DEATH.
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FINANCIAL ADVISER'S NOTE.

The Financial Adviser's Note on the 1906 Budget, part of which we publish in our issue of to-day, is as ably conceived and admirably worded document, warning the public, as it does, against certain tendencies towards over-speculation which may in the future impede the development of the financial resources of the country and at the same time showing the remarkable progress actually made, especially in the last few years. We will deal later with the budgets of the various Ministries and State Departments. The preliminary remarks, which we give in full, are most interesting reading. The recent abnormal rise of prices, speculation, cotton, the recent and popular reduction in taxation, the question of salaries and pensions, and the Daira Sanieh liquidation, in which the Government's share of the profits amounts to over L.E. 3,000,000, are all discussed and are all well worth reading.

There are two passages in Sir Vincent Corbett's Note which we venture to criticise. In dealing with the question of speculation he takes, we imagine, a slightly pessimistic view of the general effects of any reaction against over-speculation. We admit that unwary investors may suffer, but what proport on do those who will go to the wall bear to the whole population of Egypt? In our opinion the general prosperity of the country, if affected at all by their collapse, will be affected very slightly, for there is a very large majority composed of men of means, mostly natives, that has not yet begun to indulge in speculation to any great extent. If the native landowners begin as a body to emulate some of our fellow-citizens who speculate in the hands on incomes of £150 a year, then we admit the country will suffer; but have we reached that point yet? None the less the warning against over-speculation contains excellent advice to all who may be bitten by the fever, and while we differ in our estimate of the gravity of the results of over-speculation, we are ready to acknowledge that facts may yet prove us to have underrated the evil and minimised the danger. There is one other point which we should like to criticise. Sir Vincent Corbett remarks, in dealing with salaries and pensions, that "it will be no more possible to amass a fortune in the Government service in the future than in the past." Did not Government officials in Isma'il's days at times achieve the impossible? But perhaps that period may be regarded as buried in oblivion, and the average official who has not made fortunes in recent days will, we hope, appreciate the Financial Adviser's remarks on the necessity of ameliorating the conditions of his service.

A capital defence of the Railway Administration is another feature of the report. We shall revert to this on another occasion, but for the present we need only say that the queen am Cinderella among the Government Departments is now being criticised because, having come into millions, she does not expend every piastre of them at once. The Financial Adviser points out that our energetic importers forget that there are taxpayers in whose defence the authorities must attempt to get the best value for the large sums they are now expending, and that, unlike the heroine of the fairy tale, who found herself in the possession of all that she desired the instant she wedded the Prince, the Railway Administration has to wait for its quays to be widened, its lines to be doubled, and its warehouses to be built. Sir Vincent Corbett and his predecessors have done great things, but they have not learnt to create buildings and public works by a stroke of the pen.

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AN IMPORTANT FIND AT THEBES.

(From our own Correspondent).

Luxor, Sunday.

A discovery of the utmost importance has just been made by the well-known American Egyptologist, Mr. Theodore M. Davis, who has discovered in the valley of the Tombs of the Kings, the tomb of Mer-en Ptah, a pharaoh of the 19th dynasty. The tomb is beautifully painted, but no antiquities were found.

This pharaoh, who is also known as Meneptah, is thought by many to have been the Pharaoh of the Exodus. His mummy was found in the tomb of Amenhotep II. at Thebes. He suppressed the revolt of the Libyans, which broke out in the fifth year of his reign. His "Hymn of Triumph" is cut on the back of a large stele, which is now in the Egyptian Museum at Thebes.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Benha Bridge.

Owing to the low water, the Benha swing bridge over the Nile will be closed for navigation until 10th August, 1906.

Sanitary Department.

Messrs. Najib Ayyub Abela, Najib F. Mishelany and Haim Menaché, physicians, and M. Aristotle A. Kaoa, pharmacist, have been authorised to practise in Egypt.

Drinking the King's Health.

The King has authorised Rear-Admiral King-Hall to make it known that he considers his health can be as loyally drunk in water or some non-alcoholic drink as in wine.

Egypt and Cyprus Mail Contract.

The contract for the weekly conveyance of mails between Egypt and Cyprus has been terminated. Until a fresh contract is made chance steamers will carry the mails.

Back from Morocco.

The troupe of Egyptian dancers and singers engaged last September to amuse the leisure hours of the Sultan of Morocco has returned. Its members only wish their stay had been longer, not so the Moorish taxpayer.

Egyptian Medical Papyri.

The Berlin Museum has acquired a valuable collection of medical papyri, recently found in Egypt. They are said to include letters of Hippocrates, and to bear testimony to the interest with which medicine was studied under the Emperors.

Egyptian Ivory.

The London quarterly ivory sales begin on January 30th and Egyptian ivory to the extent of 10 tons, 14 cwt, 1 qr, 13 lb, has arrived in London for the sales. The total amount of ivory arrived up to date from all sources is over 30 tons.

Eastern Telegraph.

This company announces the payment on January 15 of an interim dividend of 1½ per cent. on the Ordinary Stock free of income tax in respect of profits for the quarter ended September 30. The dividend was the same last year.

An L. M. & D. S.

We may remind our readers that Dr. Raffer, C. M. G., President of the Quarantine Board, is lecturing at 5.30 o'clock this evening in the Parish Room, Boulkeley, on "The Desert of Sinai." Mr. W. R. B. Briscoe, M. A., will take the chair.

The Cavalry Journal.

Captain G. Gillson, R.A., has been appointed sub-editor for Egypt of the "Cavalry Journal," a new quarterly publication, which is intended for the circulation of information concerning cavalry matters in the British and other armies, and to bring the various branches of our mounted troops, both at home and in the Colonies, into closer touch with each other by encouraging the development and interchange of ideas.

"Egyptian Rubber Concessions."

A usually wide-awake jobber in the Egyptian section of the Mining markets was (London financial contemporary states) last week made the victim of an old, old hoax. Although a very experienced member, he was induced to make a market in "Egyptian Rubber Concessions," and he must have been delighted to find business so brisk. The joke was well planned and executed. It was not long before the jobber found himself short of several hundred shares, the price being bid up against him, but about an hour elapsed before he came to realise that the concern had only an imaginary existence.

The Shrager Bankruptcy.

On the 19th inst. at the London Bankruptcy Court, a sitting for public examination was held under the failure of Shrager Brothers, merchants, trading at Lloyd's avenue, E.C., also at Calcutta Colombo, Singapore, Alexandria, and elsewhere. The debtors' affairs are being wound up in bankruptcy, and the failure appears to be of considerable magnitude, the joint accounts disclosing liabilities to the amount of £76,899, of which £64,518 are expected to rank, with assets which are estimated to realise £4,089, book debts (£58,805) being treated as unrealisable. The deficiency is accounted for to the extent of £53,955 by an estimated loss on contracts made on behalf of Schrager Brothers, of Calcutta.—The hearing was adjourned.

THE ALEXANDRIA RIOT.

TRIAL AND JUDGMENT.

THE SPEECH FOR THE DEFENCE.

The Alexandria Native Court was again occupied on Sunday and yesterday with the proceedings against the first batch of persons accused of participating in the recent disturbance at Alexandria.

The accused were defended by Ali Bey Assem, whose defence was based on the following points :—The originators of the trouble were low-class Greeks and the natives were there as spectators. The mob, which was composed of different nationalities, was not an unusual gathering, as the day was a Sunday and all the people were idling on that day. The natives took no part in the outrages under any circumstances, as can be seen from the fact that a small number of detectives was sufficient to arrest these 104 persons, who made no resistance after the mob was dispersed, and while the authorities were holding an enquiry into the matter at the Mesdhieh Caracol. Only 22 persons of different nationalities were slightly injured among the enormous crowd, but these were not attacked by the unfortunate accused, against whom there is no evidence. Even the detectives did not declare before the Court that the accused had injured people. The witnesses for the def. now spoke the truth, while no other witnesses could charge these 104 natives with committing any crime. Article 207 of the Penal Code, which the Parquet required to be taken as a basis for a verdict against the accused, was not applicable in the case of these men. These people gathered together in the Grand Square out of curiosity. If there had been any fanaticism the disorder could not have been suppressed with such ease by a small body of police, nor would a fire hose have been sufficient to disperse them. The detectives who arrested these 104 persons out of a crowd of 15,000 people could not identify them as the real evildoers. Public security in Alexandria has never been menaced, nor must some of the European newspapers be believed, who for their own purposes have misled their readers by stating that fanaticism was at the bottom of the outbreak. The question is very simple. Some Greeks, under the aegis of the Capitulations, fired at one another on a Sunday, when most people have nothing to do. A crowd of sight-seers gathered together, composed of men and women of every race and nation, in order to see what was going on, and this upshot was "a storm in a teacup."

The above was the gist of the speech of the counsel for the defence.

The Parquet called upon the Court to punish the accused in accordance with Article 207 of the Penal Code, and in the case of those who had previous convictions against them, in accordance with Articles 48 and 49, and the boys in accordance with Article 61 of the same code.

At 7.45 p.m. yesterday evening the Court gave its judgment on the 104 accused, acquitting 28, sentencing 53 to three months' imprisonment with hard labour, 13 to six months' imprisonment with hard labour, 3 to be whipped with ten strokes each (these being boys), and 7 to twelve months' imprisonment with hard labour.

NEW ORGAN FOR ST. GEORGE'S.

The new organ, the gift of the congregation worshipping in H.B.M.'s Garrison Church of St. George, Mustapha Pasha, in 1904-5, was dedicated to the service of Almighty God and for the use of the Church of England troops, on Friday last, at a special service, by the Rev. P. B. N. Norman-Lee, C.F. and chaplain in charge. Canon Ward read the lesson and gave a very helpful address on verse 6 of Psalm 95. After the service Mr. Heaton, organist of St. Mark's, gave a recital of seven sacred pieces, showing the beautiful combination of the various stops.

The organ has a rich and full tone, and its sound was fully appreciated by the congregation. It is of tubular pneumatic action throughout, and has a double bass (Lesson's patent), which enables any one to play the pedal notes on the key-board, the lowest note only sounding. The effect of a second manual is obtained by the celodic stop, whereby the melody of a hymn or voluntary is made to stand out above the accompaniment. The entire organ has been specially constructed to suit the climate.

ZIZINIA THEATRE.

On Saturday last the third performance of *La Tosca* was given and drew, as usual, a vast and highly appreciative audience. It was an excellent representation from first to last, one calculated to cause ecstacies of rapturous emotion. Signa. Bellincioni overpowered us by her forcible and gifted acting, coupled with exquisite singing, a combination which never fails to convey the pathos which this difficult rôle demands. Her notes were pure and penetrating as ever, though not quite so powerful as on the last occasion we witnessed this opera, and for this the damp weather will no doubt have been to blame. Sig. Palet, as Mario, again sang with fervour, dignity, and distinction, while Sig. Polese repeated his remarkably fine interpretation of the heavy part of Scarpia. Sig Gianoli took great pains to give full effect to the rôle of the Sagrestano. The orchestra, under Sig. Znegani, left nothing to be desired.

'XMAS AT CAIRO.

THE WEATHER COLD.

FESTIVITIES AT THE HOTELS.

At Cairo on 'Xmas Day the usual services were held at the Protestant and Roman Catholic churches, and in the evening a small dance was given at Shepheard's, where everything went as merrily as the date demanded and dancing lasted till very late. The banks were closed, the British Government offices took holiday, and the Europeans in general affected to be satisfied with the weather on the ground that 'Xmas ought to be cold.

On 'Xmas Eve an imposing 'Xmas Tree was to be seen in the Grand Continental Hotel. The little ones were delighted and the grown ups enjoyed a small dance that followed it to the full. The ball-room was crowded and dancing lasted till those present could wish "a merry 'Xmas" to one another before they went home.

SHEPHARD'S CHRISTMAS TREE.

A large and merry crowd of children with a still larger attendance of "grown-ups" collected in the outer hall of Shepheard's Hotel on Sunday afternoon to await the drawing aside of the curtains and the revelation of a magnificent Christmas Tree in the "Egyptian Hall." From half-past four to half-past five the guests arrived in ever-increasing numbers, and save for the occasional protest of a few infant voices at not being allowed immediate entrance to the fairy-land within, all were gay and happy from beginning to end. But the infants turned from tears to cries of enjoyment and babbling laughter as the curtains parted and the throng slowly pressed into the hall and surrounded the gorgeously decorated and illuminated tree, and tiny hands were stretched out to the master of the ceremonies to receive a coveted ticket which would ensure a memento of this Christmas party. Treasures were laid out in the billiard-room, the tables of which were burdened with books and toys of every description (without even a word of protest from their guardian angel, Percy), and every little guest departed with a heart gladdened by a beautiful gift. The Tzigane orchestra played selections of music during the afternoon, and the buffets, which were abundantly furnished with tea, cakes, ices, and all sorts of good things, were well patronised. Mr. Bachler and his assistants certainly entertained their guests most generously, and his party was greatly enjoyed by the several hundreds of guests who were present.

'XMAS AT MENA.

Seldom or never has the terrace of Mena House Hotel been so crowded as on the afternoon of 'Xmas Eve. It was really surprising when everybody is supposed to be up the Nile, to find such a large gathering of smart people at Mena House. At 4.3 p.m. the charming dining-hall was filled with a select audience for the carol singing by the staff choir. Unfortunately, however, they were unable to complete the programme, which consisted of six items, on account of the well-deserved encores of the carol singers. These quaint old German songs were alone well worth the trip to Mena, and the sither accompaniment and the "echo" effect of "Toure Heimat" were very good. The dining hall itself, with its 'Xmas Tree and the illuminated models of the Sultan Hassan Mosque and some ancient temple produced, with the candles and electric light, quite a fairy scene.

KHEDIVIAL THEATRE, CAIRO.

CYRANO DE BERGERAC.

It is a distinct pleasure to be able to attempt a serious criticism instead of the usual résumé of the play and list of the actors on to whose names are tacked "sustained the rôle of" "his known verve," etc. For the performance of *Cyrano* will quite bear criticism, even comparison, to a certain degree, with more famous representations of the same play, in Paris. It is a play with two parts—possibly three, if we count Ragueneau, and it proved in consequence not beyond the reach of the company. Mme Moreno played Roxane, and achieved most accurately the exact "précieuse plus beauty" note: a thankless note indeed here! for it allows of very little passion or emotion: it has but affectation and a certain delicate egoism. M. Daragon was Cyrano, and after the first two acts proved good; in the balcony scene, the journey to the moon, and the last act of all he was really excellent. The ballads duel in the first act was well done: but for the greater part of this and the second, he missed, or exaggerated, his chances: he suggested the schoolboy anxious to get through his Virgil repetition, or on the other hand he relied on one or two intonations to carry off all points. Now the points all through are many, subtle, various: one has only to see Coquelin to discover that. His gestures were good all through; but the "make-up," except in the last act, was not at all right; where was the nose? Scarcely in evidence, and certainly not "stalking before me, half a league ahead." The other parts were good after their kind except de Guiche. M. Montaux lacked dignity and restraint and was too excited for the "grand seigneur" he was supposed to represent. The staging of the "siege of Arras" scene was not good; and the effect of the supers charging down the steps was absurd. It is some six years since we saw it in Paris, but if we remember right the supers hardly appeared at all; only their heads showed, the Gascons' post being on an eminence above them. Well, to sum up, it might have been much worse, and even if it wasn't "Paris," it was safely above the "provincial" mark.

EGYPT AND U. S. A.

NEW DIPLOMATIC AGENT.

PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS.

The following is the text of the speech addressed to the Khedive by the Hon. Mr. Iddings, the new appointed American Diplomatic Agent at Cairo, in presenting his credentials to H. H. the Khedive, on Friday last :—

Your Highness, —I have the honour to present this letter of credence from the President, accrediting me to the Egyptian Government as American Agent and Consul General. I am charged to renew to Your Highness the assurance of the cordial feeling of friendship and respect with which the President and the people of the United States regard this wonderful Egypt: and to emphasise the hope that this friendship may become even closer. It is a pleasure to me personally to act as the American representative in Cairo, and I ask, and feel sure that I shall receive, the support and encouragement of your Highness in the care which I shall give to American interests in Egypt, commercial and otherwise. Allow me to offer my best wishes for the health and happiness of Your Highness, and for the prosperity of your country and its people.

His Highness replied as follows :—

Monsieur l'Agent, —Je reçois avec un vif plaisir la lettre que vous me remettez et suis heureux des sentiments que vous venez de m'exprimer de la part du Président et du peuple des Etats Unis. Comme vous, M. l'Agent, j'ai l'espoir que leur amitié pour mon pays deviendra plus étroite et je me plais à vous assurer de mon appui et du concours de mon gouvernement dans l'accomplissement de la mission qui vous est confiée.

Je vous remercie cordialement des vœux que vous faites pour moi et pour l'Egypte, et vous prie, M. l'Agent, de vouloir bien transmettre au Président de la Grande République américaine l'expression de ma très vive gratitude, avec l'assurance que j'ai sincèrement à cœur de répondre à Sa précieuse amitié.

THE KHEDIVE AND HIS ARMY.

The Khedive has despatched this following telegram to the Sirdar :

"I have just returned from the Kiswet El Sherifeh ceremony and desire to place on record my appreciation of the admirable manner in which the parade was carried out, the appearance of the troops in general, and especially the splendid condition of the winter clothing. Pray accept my congratulations for yourself and the officers and men present."

COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

A Council of Ministers will be held on Thursday at Abdeen Palace, under the presidency of H.H. the Khedive.

KUTTABS IN THE PROVINCES.

Our Akhmin Correspondent writes :- Fifteen kuttabs will soon be ready for use in the near future for our markaz. The distribution of grants-in-aid to the fikis and arifs of the Akhmin kuttabs took place on Wednesday in the hall of the markaz, under the presidency of the Moudir of Ghirgeh, Ibrahim Bey Nabeh, who came from Sohag for the purpose, accompanied by the wakil el Moudirieh, Wassif Bey, the Hakimdar, and the inspector of Ghirgeh province kuttabs.

The moudir delivered an address to the omdehs and notables on the building of kuttabs in the surrounding villages and exhorted the fikis to have a whole-hearted devotion to their calling. The inspector of kuttabs then gave an address, after which the grants-in-aid were distributed.

Our Minet el-Kamh Correspondent writes:- Last Monday was appointed for the distribution of the grants-in-aid to the fikis and arifs of the kuttabs in our district, which took place at 11.30 a.m. in a big tent near the markaz office under the presidency of the Moudir of Charkieh and in presence of a Public Instruction inspector and the notables of the district. The moudir spoke for about half an hour and thanked the notables of the Charkieh province for their generosity. The inspector of kuttabs, the Ouckil of Bakhashin, and a clever fiki made excellent speeches on the benefits of kuttabs. The grants-in-aid were then given by the moudir to the fikis, who were very glad to receive them.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The S.S. City of Perth (Papayanni Line) sailed from Malta on Saturday afternoon and is expected to arrive at this port to-morrow morning with mails and passengers.

The Ellerman S.S. City of Cambridge arrived in Liverpool on Saturday morning.

The Ellerman S.S. Avon arrived this morning from Liverpool, Swansea, Lisbon, Gibraltar, and Malta.

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THE SUCRERIES.

11TH MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

AFFAIR SENT BEFORE TRIBUNALS.

At 3.30 p.m. on Saturday the eleventh meeting of the creditors of the Société des Sucreries et de la Raffinerie d'Egypte took place at the Commercial Chamber of the Mixed Tribunals Cairo, under the presidency of Judge Tuck. Me. Carton de Wiart, whose lameness prevented him from rising, was granted permission to speak sitting, and opened the ball with a plea for a further postponement. He stated that the proposals made under the concordat had been sent to Paris and that a wire had been received from Paris begging for a postponement of their publication till the 19th inst. Since then certain modifications had been insisted on by the shareholders, and matters were not yet finally settled. This being so, he begged for a week's postponement, and expressed the hope that the juge-commissaire would be induced, in deference to the wishes of the whole body of creditors, to withdraw from his determination already expressed to send the affair before the Tribunals.

Me. St. Planeat and Me. Bakri, representing Me. Padoa Bey, joined in the demand, but Judge Tuck was inexorable as Rhadamanthus. He remarked that the cessation of payments took place on September 7. The judgment authorising the application of the concordat préventif was given on September 19. The first meeting of creditors took place on October 4, when the first report of the experts was read. The Sucreries, asked for a postponement on account of the shareholders' meeting. The next meeting accordingly took place on October 18, and since then matters had made no progress, in spite of eleven meetings. Consequently he saw no alternative but to send the case before the Tribunal on Saturday next.

The avocats protested in vain. "You will bring your proposals before the Tribunal," quoth the judge, "far more rapidly. Here we have nothing but requests for new postponements and promises for the next time, but I have not had any communication of the proposals made to me." Me. Carton de Wiart remarked that the proposals had been sent to Paris. Judge Tuck observed that they had not been made before him. Me. St. Planeat then asked whether the proposals might be discussed before the Tribunal. An emphatic negative from Judge Tuck, who pointed out that the Tribunal simply had to decide whether the company was to be admitted to the privileges of the concordat préventif. For his part he would not keep the responsibility of the affair on his shoulders for 48 hours.

The greffier, M. Zigliara, then read the following note from the experts, Sir W. Willcocks, Farnceron Bey, and Prof. Sampaolo :—

Monsieur le Juge Commis,

Nous avons l'honneur de vous informer que nous avons fait notre estimation du bilan des Sucreries en admettant qu'avant la fin de novembre l'avenir de cette Société serait définitivement résolu.

Les renvois successifs demandés font que nous sommes à fin décembre et qu'aucune décision n'a été prise.

Nous considérons que la culture de la canne pour l'exercice 1906 1907 est déjà compromise, car les cultivateurs ne peuvent pas faire des arrangements pour les cultures de l'année prochaine, sans être certains que leurs productions seront achetées.

Nous vous avons d'ailleurs, monsieur le juge commis, mis au courant de cette situation dans notre première entrevue en octobre dernier.

Nous croyons donc devoir vous informer que notre estimation des usines, matériel et plantations, etc., a été faite pensant qu'une décision définitive serait prise immédiatement après le dépôt de notre troisième rapport; mais intrinsèquement, parlant ces prix devraient déjà être diminués et si cette décision devait encore tarder, la valeur industrielle des usines, etc., deviendrait fort douteuse, à moins que MM. les contrôleurs et administrateurs, ayant pris en considération l'avis que nous avons donné le 23 novembre, aient déjà traité avec les propriétaires de la Haute-Egypte afin d'assurer aux usines de la Société la canne nécessaire et en quantité suffisante pour une période de 4 années.

PICTURE EXHIBITION.

On Saturday last M. Warton Mahokian opened the exhibition of his paintings at the Immeuble Bittar in Opera-square, Cairo, and though the weather was bitterly cold and rain fell occasionally, quite a number of people visited the rooms, where there were over a hundred oil paintings on view. Though all of these were not to our taste, they were all well painted, and it was evident that the work had been done by a real artist. Seascapes were the principal features of the exhibition and the painting of sea scenes certainly seem to be M. Mahokian's forte, whilst of his landscapes his winter scenes were the best. Of these latter, two were especially effective and realistic, a winter's evening in Russia and a similar scene in the environs of Berlin (Nos. 84 and 71), and of other landscapes a picture of a brigands' resting place in the Caucasus (No. 47) was remarkable for its boldness and excellent colour effects; there was also a very fine painting of a woodland scene (No. 11) in which the colouring was very true to nature. Among the seascapes there were several fine sunsets, notably on the Jutland shores (No. 24) and on the Swedish shores (No. 94), and some splendid paintings of stormy seas. We certainly recommend our readers to pay this excellent exhibition a visit.

SPORT AND PLAY.

HELOUAN SPORTING CLUB.

ENTRIES FOR WINTER MEETING.

The following are the entries for the Helouan Sporting Club 1st Winter Meeting to be held on Friday, 29th inst., at Helouan.

FIRST RACE, 2 p.m.

Criterion Stakes : of P.T. 4,000, 1st horse to receive P.T. 3,000, 2nd P.T. 700 and 3rd P.T. 300. For Arab ponies, that have never won a race of any description, Gymkhanas excepted. Weight for age and inches. Distance 5 furlongs. Entrance P.T. 300.

Hussein Bey Sirri's Abu Nadara, Saleh Bey Yaghen's Ibrahimia and Acil, Kamel Eff. Maher's Ginchy, Mr. A. J. Michaelides' Derry Boy, Mr. Emin Karam's Shaiboob.

SECOND RACE, 2.30 p.m.

Maiden Galloways : of P.T. 4,000, 1st horse to receive P.T. 3,000, 2nd P.T. 700 and 3rd P.T. 300. For maiden Arab Galloways. Weight for age and inches; winners of a race of any description 7lbs extra. Distance 3/4 mile. Entrance P.T. 300.

Ibrahim Bey Cherif's Vandal, Ishak Bey Hussein's Kismet, Mobarrem Pasha Chehin's Mizzand, Ahmed Eff. Ibeah's Cherine, Ahmed Bey el Bakri's Asolus, Captain Protheroe Smith's Sanhana, Mr. A. J. Sarsock's Sans Pareil Captain Gibson's John Peel.

THIRD RACE, 3 p.m.

Sahara Stakes : of P.T. 20,000, 2nd horse to receive P.T. 3,000, and 3rd horse P.T. 2,000 out of the stakes. For Maiden (as nomination) Arab ponies. Weight for age and inches with penalties The winner of the Maiden Pony Plate or Cairo Derby, at the Cairo 1st winter Meeting 19; 5 will carry an extra penalty, in this race, 7lbs. Distance one mile :—

Hussein Bey Sirri's Katkout and Atragak, Saleh Bey Yaghen's Misseer and Ida, Ishak Bey Hussein's Nusrat (late Cupid) and Sunmear, Albert J. Sarsock's The Bard and Key Blas, Mr. E. Karam's Tembel and Kaimakam, Ahmed Eff. Ibeah's Cher and Kourmange, N. Sonesa and Kamel Eff. Maher's Mahrous, Ibrahim Bey Cherif's Gladiateur II. and Settam, Mobarrem Pasha Chehin's Naouak, Hassan Bey Khair El Din's Lahik, Omar Bey Sultan and Ahmed Bey El Bakri's Kobatan Tair, Saleh Bey Yaghen's Balkley, Ahmed Bey Bakri's Asolus.

FOURTH RACE, 3.30 p.m.

Desert Plate : of P.T. 6,500, 2nd horse to receive P.T. 1,000 and 3rd horse P.T. 500, out of the stakes. For Maiden (at nomination) Arabs and R. C. Bs. Class II. Weight for age and class, with penalties. Distance one mile.

Hussein Bey Sirri's Aida, Mr. Albert J. Sarsock's Alarm, A. J. Michaelides' Jupiter, Hassan Mahsen Pasha's Chaylak and Nagget, Ibrahim Bey Cherif's Kendal and Mesoud (late Wassal).

FIFTH RACE, 4 p.m.

Trial Plate : of P.T. 4,000, 1st horse to receive P.T. 3,000, 2nd P.T. 700 and 3rd P.T. 300. For Arabs that have never won a race of any description of the advertised value of P.T. 1,000 or more. Weight for age. Galloways allowed 4lbs, ponies 7lbs. Distance 1/2 mile. Entrance P.T. 300.

Mr. Emin Karam's Tamerlan, Capt. Rome's Lahallah, Ahmed Eff. Ibeahe's Cherine, Hussein Bey Sirri's Abou Nadara, Ishak Bey Hussein's Kismet, Mr. A. J. Sarsock's Amie, Mr. A. J. Michaelides' Derry Boy.

SIXTH RACE, 4.30 p.m.

The Bedouin Stakes.—Value P.T. 3,000, 2nd horse to receive P.T. 300 and 3rd horse P.T. 200, out of the stakes, if six or more start. For Arabs that have never won a race of any description and are the bona fide property of non-members of the K.S.C. A.S.C. or H.S.C. and are not kept in a racing stable. Catch weights over 10st. 7lbs. for Horses, 10st. for galloways and 9st. 7lbs. for Ponies. Those previously placed in any race to carry 7lbs. extra. Distance 1 mile. Entrance P.T. 200 to be paid at the time of entry.

Daoud Soltan's Hadban, Ali Hawas' Suari II., Makbool Hooder's Abou Ida, Mr. Karkour's Amil Marouf, Yanni's Sabi (late Mastour), Freed Tahawi's Sadik, Shaker's Scoudi (late Nouri), Mahmoud Ismail's Fahad (late Vali).

Selling lotteries in connection with the above races will take place on Thursday, 29th inst., at 5 p.m., at the Tewfik Palace Hotel, Helouan.

FOOTBALL.

On Friday, 15th inst., a football match was played between Boulac Railway Institute and the R.E. The home team won the toss and defended Embabeh end. There were considerably more than 150 spectators on the club verandah. The play during the first half was of a very even character and neither side scored. Twenty minutes after the restarting the R.E. had the good fortune of being awarded a penalty kick, from which they scored. The visitors added another goal before the game was over, and thus were left victors by 2-0. A heavy wind, which at periods amounted to a gale, blew during the second half, and greatly hindered accurate football.

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BATTLE AT MOSCOW.

BARRICADES BOMBARDED.

SEVERE FIGHTING.

5,000 KILLED, 14,000 WOUNDED.

ST. PETERSBURG, December 23.

The whole strength of the strike is centred at Moscow, at which city the Government is strenuously fighting against it. The representatives of strikers, while discussing their final plans in a large building yesterday evening, were summoned to surrender. They replied with bombs and revolvers, upon which the artillery shelled the building until they capitulated. Barricades have been erected, but the troops have stormed several of them.

MOSCOW, December 23.

Severe fighting has taken place between the dragoons and the strikers. Barricades have been destroyed. 40 strikers, 5 officers, and 13 soldiers have been killed or wounded. *(Havas.)*

MOSCOW, December 24.

A regular pitched battle is engaged in in the streets here. Yesterday afternoon there was incessant firing in all quarters of the city, which was still progressing at ten o'clock in the evening. It is impossible to estimate the number of casualties.

Apparently the revolutionary party is not yet crushed. Guns posted in a commanding position at a monastery and in a square in the heart of the city, opened a hot fire on the barricades during the afternoon, while quick-firers swept the boulevards which debouch on the square. Fire was concentrated on the barricades on Tverskya street, destroying them. Meanwhile a large force of infantry kept up an incessant rifle fire, and sharpshooters posted in the belfry of the monastery picked off insurgents. Different parts of the town are isolated, and insurgents, who are supplied with arms and ammunition, are erecting fresh barricades, and are still holding some districts.

(5.0 p.m.)

Artillery, rifle, and revolver fire continued during the whole day. The guns bombarded barricade after barricade, charges of dragoons followed the cannonade. The debris was then burned. The area of the fighting is extending and is now proceeding in the suburbs, with losses on both sides.

The revolutionary party is apparently not yet disheartened, though the wounded alone on Saturday are estimated at 500. They scored a few minor successes by means of ambuscades and bombs, in one case killing or wounding 20 gendarmes. All the hospitals and doctors' residences are full of wounded. *(Reuter.)*

MOSCOW, December 24.

The artillery have bombarded the barricades. The collisions are spreading. *(Havas.)*

MOSCOW, December 25.

Fighting ceased at midnight. *(Reuter.)*

MOSCOW, December 25.

It is believed that the number of people killed during the last few days amounts to 2,000. *(Havas.)*

MOSCOW, December 26.

Until an early hour on Monday morning there were 5,000 killed and 14,000 wounded in the fighting here. The cannonading was proceeding on Monday night in several parts of the city. The barricades are being desperately defended. Many harmless people have been killed. The city is beginning to feel the lack of provisions. *(Reuter.)*

A LITHUANIAN INVASION.

SITUATION AT ST. PETERSBURG.

POPULATION ATTACKING STRIKERS.

ST. PETERSBURG, December 23.

Several thousand Lithuanians have invaded the province of Vitebsk, sacking and burning. They declare their intention of forming a Lithuanian Republic. *(Reuter.)*

ST. PETERSBURG, December 23.

The police have arrested the executive committee of the strike. The workmen's societies of numerous railways have proclaimed a strike. The population are attacking the strikers as they are without food. Sanguinary encounters have taken place in which people have been killed or wounded. *(Havas.)*

ST. PETERSBURG, December 24.

The city is quiet. *(Havas.)*

WARSAW, December 25.

The telegraphists have decided to end the strike. The service has been resumed. *(Havas.)*

TO PROTECT FRENCH CITIZENS.

PARIS, December 25.

Two ships of war have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness to proceed to Russia to protect French citizens. *(Reuter.)*

DATE OF DISSOLUTION.

LONDON, December 23.

The Privy Council is summoned for the 8th of January. Dissolution will follow immediately. *(Reuter.)*

NEW ITALIAN MINISTRY.

ROME, December 24.

Signor Fortis has re-constituted the Ministry. The Marquis of San Giuliano is Minister for Foreign Affairs. *(Reuter.)*

ROME December 24.

Sig. Fortis has re-constituted the Cabinet. The Marquis di San Giuliano is Minister for Foreign affairs. *(Havas.)*

QUIET RESTORED IN SHANGHAI.

SHANGHAI, December 25.

The Mixed Court was re-opened on Saturday. Proceedings were normal. *(Reuter.)*

ETHIOPIAN RAILWAY.

ADIS ABEBA, December 25.

In accordance with the Emperor's orders the engineers of the Ethiopian railways have begun the works for the continuation of the line from Diredawa to this city. *(Reuter.)*

MOROCCO CONFERENCE

TANGIER, December 25.

The Sultan maintains that the conference must be held at Algeciras. *(Havas.)*

THE EMANCIPATION OF EGYPT.

IV.

In approaching his "Ultimate considerations" our author takes us somewhat more into his confidence and says that he is addressing us in a loftier strain, and is drawn into speaking of religious beliefs. He is conscious that he is treading on tender ground. There we quite agree with him, and as we shall endeavour to show in our concluding remarks, he is doing so in a manner which is not only useless, but dangerous. We shall therefore not make any further allusion to his concluding pages, so far as they touch religious questions; we only quote a few paragraphs from them.

"In a book referring only to Egypt it appears to us quite useless to again rake up the tragedy of American colonisation. We never heard that in these more enlightened times there was ever any risk that such proceedings were likely to occur in Egypt."

As to our author's concluding sentence, we will merely say that we do not consider that the arguments advanced in the latter part of his book are either dictated by politics or interest, by the voice of humanity, or even by that of simple expediency.

The disjointed extracts which we have given may not convey a good idea of the book as a whole, but we think they justify us in having said that it is a remarkable book; it should be read to be appreciated, and it is well worth reading. Up to a certain point we entirely agree with the opinions expressed by the author, then we come, almost imperceptibly, to a parting of the ways, which leads at last to extreme divergence of opinion: like two lines of railway whose separation is at first almost imperceptible, but which end by going in nearly opposite directions. The book is written in an irreproachable style, the arguments are all exceedingly moderate; it is with regret, and only from a sense of duty to the land we love, that we feel obliged to express some opinions contrary to those of the author. For the translator, we have nothing but praise: the book is written from end to end in flowing periods and well-balanced sentences, which contrast favorably with much of the slipshod English we have to put up with now-a-days. There is not, as is so usual in translations, any taint of foreign idiom.

To a man so well informed as the author, we cannot help thinking that it must be a matter of regret to have written the pages he devotes to Russian influence. It seems extraordinary to read this in a book fresh from the press in the latter end of this year of grace 1905, now that the huge giant formerly called the Holy Russian Empire has been proved to have feet of clay. It reminds us of the flood of literature, emanating any time the last forty years, from the pens of educated Russian bureaucrats, as to the objects and aims of their nation. These writings had about as intimate an acquaintance with the real nation they referred to, as the fishes in the ocean have with the first-class passengers on board a luxurious liner. Unless we are much mistaken the near future of Russia will prove to our author that it is not wise for any nation to associate the religious element too closely with civil government, and this is the direction towards which the parting of the ways fatally leads him.

No one respects the religious element in national life more than we do, but in such a cosmopolitan country as Egypt, where so many foreign colonies of different religions have from time immemorial acquired rights, which give them, in the beautiful words of Kipling, "freedom to live by no man's leave underneath the law," this is the first consideration; it is what we have now, and it is what we mean to keep if we can.

Civil laws made and enforced for the good of the whole country should be carefully separated from the religious element, and still leave everyone perfectly free to worship God in any way which either nationality, association, or inclination may dictate, and that without interfering in any way with his rights of citizenship.

Our author has led up to the question of the emancipation or nationalisation of Egypt in many ways. He goes back far enough to call our attention to the rise, decline, and fall of the British power in the Ionian islands; he refers to other historical matters, all of which appear to us to have little to do with Egypt; he devotes a whole chapter to the "false position of Great Britain in Egypt." Without going much into detail, we do not consider this position a false one; we think that England is still doing, and will continue to do, yeoman's work in Egypt, not only in her own interest but to the benefit of the world in general. The most remarkable point about this book is the extraordinary metamorphosis which the author's opinion seems to us to go through within the limits of its pages. He begins by being the greatest apologist we have yet heard of England's occupation of Egypt; he praises it in such lofty language that at times we were tempted to recall the prophet of old, who, looking down from the barren hills of Moab, on the fertile plains and valleys on the other side of Jordan, said, almost in spite of himself, "How beautiful are thy tents, O Israel." Unlike the seer of Bible history our author has apparently been induced to change his opinion when about half-way through with his work.

To any intelligent person who has watched the course of events in this country for the last thirty years, it must be evident that Egypt always has required, and will still for a very long time require, some external restraining influence. This has been clearly shown over and over again whenever anything has tended to ruffle the surface of everyday life.

*The Emancipation of Egypt. Translated from the Italian. London, Chapman & Hall.

FREEMASONRY IN EGYPT.

The most important events among Masons each year—the installation of the W.M.—were commenced on Monday week by the installation of the W.M. of the Ragheb Lodge No. 51 Egyptian Constitution, it happens to be the first of the Masonic year, and is always looked forward to.

After the lodge was opened by the W.M., who was very ably assisted by Wor. Bro. Felix Powell, W.M. of the Grecia Lodge No. 60, Paul Oziol, W.M. Union and Solidarite No. 80, Foster-Smith, W.M. of the Idris Lodge No. 1, Illustrious Bro. Assignrian 33, W. Bros P. Piankoff, I. P. M., W. J. King, W. H Brookway, E. Drechsler, G. Gutzler, T. M. Chinn, R. R. Smithard, W. Britton, M. R. Pattison, R. Watson-Ramsay, and Fred Phillips, and Bros. Dr. Madden, S. W. Grecia Lodge, Dr. T. Burns, Klingler, Kenneth-Scott, Fitzpatrick, A. V. Thomson, Waller, Paton, Hore, Delburgo, M. A. Delbarez, Lataille, R. Snelling, D. Macdonald, B. W. Jordan, L. Leon, E. Bolghon, H. E. A. B. Brewster Bey (W. M. elect), General Mahmoud Tewfik, and many others. Bro. M. Kenneth-Scott was duly affiliated, and Mr. Howard, a candidate for initiation, was admitted and duly received his first insight into the mysteries. The chief distinguished bre hren were appointed to fill the various offices for the occasion, viz.: W. Bros. Chinn, S. W., W. J. King, J. W., Britton, S. D., Pattison, J. D., Drechsler, I. G., and Plunkett, as D. of C.

The lodge being opened in the next degree, the W. M. elect swore allegiance to the duties of the post, and on being opened in the 3rd the M. W. the Grand Master of Egypt, his Excellency Idris bey Rasheb, entered the lodge and was duly received in accordance with antient custom and saluted as befitted his exalted rank; the gavel being handed him by the W. M., the G. Master requested the W. M. to carry on the work. A board of installed Masters having been formed, the W. M. elect was further instructed and was placed in the chair of K. S. in accordance with custom. On the return of the brethren to the lodge W. Bro. Brewster Bey was proclaimed and saluted from the usual position. The charter, constitutions and by-laws having been presented, W. Bro. Beale, I. M. called the brethren to order while he read a communication he had received from the Grand Lodge, in which was a decree appointing the newly-installed W. M. as Past Grand Warden of Egypt. The M. W. Grand Master heartily congratulated Rt. Wor. Brewster Bey on the appointment. The W. M. cordially thanked him for the high honor conferred upon him. The G. M. then requested permission to retire. The W. M. was saluted with the honors due to his rank, and then appointed his officers for the year as follows:—I. P. M., Wor. Bro. Beale; S. W., Bro. W. H Latailla; J. W., Bro. D. M Condoolo; Treas., W. Bro. W. H. Brookway, Sec., Bro. R. Snelling; S. D., Bro. B. W. Jordan; J. D., W. Bro. W. Britton; D. of C., Bro. F. Leonard; Asst. ditto, Bro. Haseldine; XX I. G., Bro W. Barnes, and Guardians, Bros. Canning and Yacoub. W. Bro. Ahmed Nasrat Bey organist. V. W. Bro. F. B. N. Norman-Lee, chaplain, Bros L. Leon and Jordan Smith, stewards.

The installation ceremony being completed, the W. M., rising, said a few words regarding the manner in which the installing Master had carried out the ceremony and expressed his pleasure in being now entitled to present the P. M. jewel unanimously voted by the lodge, and added that although it was only a very small thing and could not adequately represent the feelings that the I. P. M. had raised in the breasts of the members of the lodge for the manner in which the duties in the lodge has been carried out, it was meant as a mark of esteem and appreciation. The I. P. M., replying, felt proud to be a P. M. of the Ragheb Lodge and would ever do his utmost to further its interests. He said how grateful he felt to all the members for their cordial and loyal support, during his year of office, and asked that the same might be extended to his successor. He felt sure that at the close of the long and following years the bond of friendship would be found to have grown stronger and stronger.

The balance sheet showed a very substantial cash balance at the bank, and it was proposed to send a further donation to the Blind Institution at Zeitoun of £10. This was agreed to with acclamation. It was pointed out that this excellent institution received candidates irrespective of religion, nationality, or standing, and that it deserved every encouragement, as it was now supported by subscriptions and contributions simpler to that now put before the meeting. The charity bag being circulated produced a very handsome sum for this and similar benevolent purposes.

Before closing the lodge congratulations were conveyed to the W.M. from the lodges in Egypt and from all parts of the globe for a happy and successful year of office.

The members then adjourned to the Grand Continental Hotel, where a very handsomely decorated table testified to the great care which is given to these festivities by its genial manager, Bro. A. Klingler. The chef was called for and heartily congratulated on the manner in which the good things provided were served up.

The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given with musical honors, and heartily received, the toast of the evening being that of the W.M., who, in replying, and in stirring terms of applause, signified his intention to make the lodge as great a success, if not greater than his predecessor. The manner in which this was received testified to the happiness that surrounded the W.M. and augurs well for the future of the lodge, and the cementing of the fraternal bonds.

The following brethren helped to make the evening a very pleasant one with songs, recitations, selections, &c.: W. Bro. Britton, Powell, Bros. Dr. Madden, Waller, Barnes, Latailla, &c.

By kind permission of the commanding officer and officers of the 2nd Inniskilling Fusiliers a portion of the band played selections during the banquet which were greatly appreciated.

The M.W. Grand Master sent his excuses with regret at being unable to be present at the banquet as he had been, and is still, in the hands of his medical adviser. Horns were expressed for a speedy return to health. He was very ably represented by W. Bro. A.C Garofalo, A.G.S.

[Rt. Wor. Brewster Bey was installed in the above-named lodge and not the "Idris," as notified in a Cairo contemporary.—ED. E.G.]

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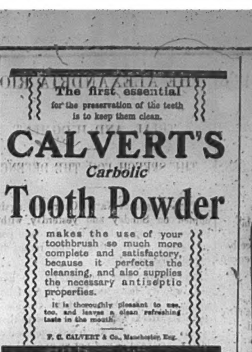

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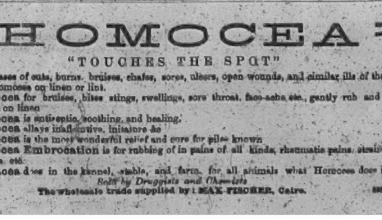

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THE 1906 BUDGET.

FINANCIAL ADVISER'S NOTE.

EGYPT'S CONTINUED PROSPERITY.

My last Budget Note drew attention to the rapid advance in prosperity which had characterised the two preceding years. That prosperity has to all outward appearance been maintained.

In spite of a low Nile flood in 1904, and of the remission during the last three years of taxation, amounting in the aggregate to L.E. 490,000, the figures of revenue for those years have been as follows :—

1903	L.E. 12,948 000
1904	„ 13,690,0 0
1905 (approximate)	„ 14,500,000

These results have encouraged the Government to take a somewhat more sanguine view than would have been prudent hitherto of the probable results of the next financial year; these, after allowing for a further reduction to the extent of L.E. 332,000, have been calculated at L.E. 13,500,0 0, an estimate which can hardly be consid red too bold seeing that, even when the above reduction is taken into account, it still falls short of the probable receipts for 19 5 by L.E. 768,000.

The estimated Receipts and Expenditure for 1906 as compared with 1905 are as follows :—

	1906.	1905.	Increase.
Receipts	13,500,000	12,732,000	1,340,000
Expenditure :			
Ordinary ... 12,317,000			
Special ... 683,000 }	13,000,000	11,208,000	1,792,000
		447,000	1,345,000
Estimated surplus in both cases	L.E. 500,000.		

Allowing then for a surplus next year of L.E. 500,000, there remains an estimated expenditure in 1906 of L.E. 1,345,000 more than that for 1905.

This increase, though considerable, must not be taken to imply any new or extravagant departure on the part of the Egyptian Government.

The enormous appreciation in the value of land, and sudden acquisition of unexpected wealth by large sections of the community, has sent up the prices of the necessaries of life at such a rate as to render inevitable a largely increased expenditure not only on such items as forage, maintenance of prisoners, hospital patients, and the like, but also on the wages of temporary employés and daily labourers in Government employ, and consequently on the cost of execution of all Government works. To this must be added a sum of L.E. 170,000, inscribed in the Budget for improving the position of the "cadre" officials, the lesser of whom can no longer live on their pay, while the higher have seen what were formerly considered adequate incomes yearly diminishing in purchasing power to the point of absolute hardship. The total increase in estimated expenditure directly attributable to the rise in prices may be calculated at not less than L.E. 370,000.

The following table shows the variations in the retail prices of certain commodities during the past five years. The figures give the average price for the year in each case :—

	1901	1902	1903	1904	1905
	P.T.	P.T.	P.T.	P.T.	P.T.
Wheat per ardab... ...	110	98	108	125	140
Beans	100	103	73	75	144
Lentils	80	85	90	115	130
Mutton per oke	6	6.5	7	9	11
Beef	5.3	6	7.3	8.3	8.3
Chicken per 1	1·2	1·2	1	1·0	1·0
Eggs per dozen	1·2	1·2	1	2·2	2·2

The rise since last year in the contract prices of provisions for certain Government Departments is shown by the following examples :

	1905	1906
	P.T.	P.T.
Wheat per ardab...	108	128
Beans	89·7	110·4
Lentils	99·7	131·9
Rice ... oke	4·1	1·3
Meat	4·8	5·9

[Since writing the above and while this Note was passing through the press the fact that the scarcity and consequent cost of unskilled labour is becoming a factor of the gravest import in connection with the expenditure on all public works, has been brought to my notice with disagreeable directness. I learn from the Irrigation authorities that the cost of construction of earthworks has risen within the last three years by at least 60 % and that consequently the estimates for the conversion next year of the basin lands in Upper Egypt will probably have to be increased by some L.E 100,000.]

Although the revenue returns of the last few years appear amply to justify this increase in the national expenditure, be attributable the economical situation is not such as would warrant us in blindly counting on permanent surpluses such as those of the past. It may well be that the wave of prosperity is not yet spent, but it would be foolhardy to calculate on its volume being increased or indeed maintained indefinitely.

In this connection the figures of imports and exports for the last six years as given by the Customs Returns deserve something more than a passing notice. They are as follows :—

	IMPORTS. Merchandise.	Specie.	EXPORTS. Merchandise.*	Specie.
	L.E.	L.E.	L.E.	L.E.
1900 ...	14,113,379	4,714,913	17,134,114	2,207,790
1901 ...	15 244,930	3,085,878	16,163,964	2,422 172
1902 ...	14 814,084	4 779 208	18 046,936	1,834,437
1903 ...	16,782,190	6,431,490	19,806,899	1,795,933
1904 ...	20 569,588	7,808,864	20,811,040	2,730,660
1905 ...	21,400,000	5,000,000	20,500,000	2,800,000
(Approximate)				

The effect of the high prices ruling for cotton from the 1902-1903 season onwards is very well marked by the increased value of the exports since 1901, and by a corresponding upward movement in the volume of the imports, commencing in 1903 and continuing progressively to the present time. The value of the imports of merchandise for the current year bids fair largely to exceed that for 1904, as against a setback in the value of the exports due to the sensibly lower price of cotton last season.

The fact that during the past two years the imports of merchandise and specie taken together have greatly outbalanced the exports, notwithstanding the constant heavy charge for the service of the foreign debt, constitutes a phenomenon which calls for reflection. A readjustment in the direction of normal equilibrium must come about sooner or later, and if we are paying for our imports with capital provided by the foreign investor, this operation, though by no means necessarily unsound at present, cannot be indefinitely continued.

SPECULATION IN EGYPT.

Here, with a full sense of the responsibility attaching to an expression of opinion which cannot but have something of an *ex cathedrâ* character, I desire to sound a note of warning to those who look on Egypt as an El Dorado for investors—and speculators.

The sudden accession of wealth and commercial activity in this country has been attended by features that are only too often its concomitants. The tendency to discount the future is nowhere more evident, and during the past two years the value of property both in land and in local stocks and shares, has, in many cases, been forced up to levels which even prospective results can hardly prove to be remunerative. It is to be feared that these inflated values are not infrequently based on speculative purchases which have been facilitated by the profuse introduction of loanable capital into the country, either in the form of new banking, finance, and land companies, or in that of large increases in the capital of the old institutions. The gambling fever is rife in the community and opportunities to speculate are at hand for all.

This situation contains within it the elements of reaction. It depends, first and foremost, on the maintenance of the price of cotton at the high level of the past three years, a level due to causes which are almost entirely adventitious as far as this country is concerned. And, even assuming that the conditions of the world's supply of and demand for cotton will not vary within very wide limits for the next few years, or that the demand for the Egyptian product will continually outstrip the supply, there remains the danger of the results which invariably attend over-speculation. Lately signs of uneasiness have not been wanting; there is a slackening of activity on the local Bourses and quotations have declined perceptibly from their former maxima.

A movement towards the elimination of the specula tive factor in the situation, which in the long run is inevitable, may, and I believe will, work itself out without injury to the real interests of the country, but it will hardly do so without causing a considerable perturbation of the share market, with serious results to the unwary investor.

I may as well mention here that all "Egyptian" companies are incorporated by Kh divial Decree, and that such decree merely implies that the company in question has complied with certain rules and is amenable to a certain jurisdiction. It in no way implies that the Khedivial Government either approves its object or guarantees its solvency.

COTTON.

The area devoted to cotton during the present season has exceeded that of any preceding year, especially in Upper Egypt. The climatic conditions during the early part of the season were very favorable, and the crop promised to be a record one. Unfortunately in September and October much damage was done, more particularly in Upper Egypt, by the prevalence of "Boll worm," whose ravages this year were more pronounced than usual and far more injurious than those of the stores generally feared "Cotton worm." During the season much valuable information regarding this pest has been obtained by the Khedivial Agricultural Society which it is hoped may subsequently be turned to practical account.

It is noteworthy that while the area devoted to cotton during recent years has steadily increased, there has been no increase in total crop production.

Total Crops (interior gross weight).

1897 — 1898	6,542,128	kantars.
1898 — 1899	5,589,314	„
1899 — 1900	6,510,050	„
1900 — 1901	5,427,338	„
1901 — 1902	6,371,643	„
1902 — 1903	5,838,090	„
1903 — 1904	6,508,947	„
1904 — 1905	6,351,879	„

This is a matter for serious consideration, especially when taken in connection with the fact that quality also has left much to be desired. The tendency is now to grow cotton on the same land every two years, instead of once in three years, as was formerly the case, and the results of this system should not be ignored by the cultivator, not only because of possible injury to the cotton-growing industry which is in itself a sufficient reason, but also in view of its possible deleterious effects on the general productivity of the soil. The question of the seed employed is intimately connected with the quality of the resulting crop and is receiving careful consideration by the Khedivial Agricultural Society. Prices continue to rule high.

REDUCTION OF TAXATION.

The following taxes are abolished or reduced with effect from the 1st January, 1906, (except the Customs duties reduced from the date of the Khedivial Decree of November 25th, 1905) :—

	Estimated loss of revenue.
	L.E.
Salt Monopoly abolished	175,000
Tax on Sea-fishing boats	2,000
Ferry tax on canals abolished ...	7,000
Ferry tax on the Nile reduced ...	
Red Sea lighthouse dues reduced...	20,000
Import duty reduced from 8 % to 4 % on coal, liquid fuel, charcoal, firewood, timber for building purposes, petroleum; oxen, cows, sheep and goats, whether alive or cold-stored	118,000
	L.E. 322 000

The Government Salt Monopoly established in 1879 for revenue purposes, was ceded in 1899 to the "Salt & Soda Company," when the price was reduced from L.E. 8 to L.E. 5 per ton. In a country like Egypt, in many parts of which salt is a natural product which anyone can pick up for himself, the existence of a monopoly with its accompanying restrictions enforced by fines and imprisonment could not be other than highly vexatious, and in now sweeping it away the Khedivial Government has, it is believed, effected a reform which will be a blessing to the country at large and especially to the very poor.

The Salt and Soda Company was entitled to a six months' notice of the termination of the Monopoly. This right it has consented to waive, while the Government on its side has engaged not to work any new salines, nor let them to others for a period of six years. Further the Company has undertaken to reduce the price of salt from L.E. 5 per ton to L.E. 2, (i.e. from 5 milliemes to 2 milliemes per kilo.) and to maintain distributing agencies wherever they now exist.

Licences for sea-fishing boats were formerly delivered on payment of an annual tax varying between L.E. 1 ½ to L.E. 10 according to size and equipment. They will now be delivered free of charge.

The Ferry Tax is abolished, except in the case of ferries at or near large centres. The tentative abolition of some of these latter was not a success, on the contrary it led to quarrels and disturbances on the part of rival claimants. Moreover it is necessary in places where there is heavy traffic that the public should have some guarantee of a satisfactory service, which can only be obtained by letting the ferrying right out to some responsible person.

The Lighthouse dues in the Red Sea have been reduced from 14 milliemes to 10 mill. per ton for ships under 800 tons and from 7 milliemes to 5 milliemes for ships over that tonnage, reductions which it is hoped will prove satisfactory to international shipping.

An all-round *ad valorem* Customs Duty on imports of 8 % constitutes the general tariff of the Turkish Empire and, consequently of Egypt, and no higher duty can be imposed except by International Agreement. In the case of Egypt a surtax exists on tobacco and tobacco only. For the first time, I believe, in history, a province of the Empire bound by this tariff, has, of its own initiative, lowered the import duty on a whole series of articles of first necessity. The experiment will be watched with interest not only in Egypt but throughout the world and it is the confident hope of the Khedive's advisers that the reduction, while it can hardly fail to benefit the consumer, will not, in the long run, prove detrimental to the Treasury.

As has already been stated, the Budget for 1906 includes a sum of no less than L.E. 170,000 for the improvement in the salaries of the Cadre officials, which for reasons given above have diminished in purchasing power to a distressing extent. In the case of the minor officials their pay no longer constitutes a living wage, and when vacancies occur no candidates are forthcoming to fill them. As the causes which produce this effect are precisely those that pour an increasing stream of wealth into the coffers of the State, it is entitled but right that a portion of the same should be employed in ameliorating the lot of the Government servants.

A good many salaries, especially of technical officials, have already been spasmodically raised from time to time in order to retain the services of men who would otherwise have found it worth while to quit the Government service and even sacrifice their pension for the more lucrative prospects held out by private employers. It is now proposed to readjust the whole scale on a uniform basis. A Cadre Committee of experienced officials sat during the early months of the year and produced an interesting and careful report. The pressure of work which always occurs in the autumn has made it impossible to proceed further with the matter this year, but with the beginning of the new year it will be taken up again, and it is hoped that a month or two will suffice to rearrange the system on a sounder basis, such rearrangement to have effect from January 1st, 1906.

It is perhaps well that I should here mention that the sum of L.E. 120,000 set aside for this purpose, considerable as it is, will not, I fear, suffice to realise the dreams of those who imagine that a golden age is approaching. It will be no more possible to amass a fortune in the Government service in the future than it was in the past. An equitable readjustment is all that is and can be aimed at, and I may add that efficient work and probably longer hours will be required in return for increased pay.

In close connection with the re-organisation of the cadre is the question of a new Pension Law which is now being taken seriously in hand under expert actuarial advice from England. The present law is admittedly bad, but a scientific pension law in a country where the officials are partly Christian, partly native and partly foreign, presents enormous difficulties, and it is impossible to say when the project will be sufficiently advanced to be submitted to the Council of Ministers. Here, again, interested parties must not be too sanguine. It would be easy for the Khedive's present advisers to promulgate a pension law which would meet with popular favour. The results during the first ten years might be highly satisfactory; they would hardly be so much longer. In framing a pension law it is necessary to calculate the cost not only for the present generation but for the next.

DAIRA SANIEH LIQUIDATION.

One of the most important financial events of the year was the liquidation of the Daira Administration, which was practically brought to an end in the course of 1905.

A summary of the question may not be uninteresting.

The settlement of the Financial situation of Egypt in November, 1876, took no account of the debt of the "Daira Sanieh," a special administration charged with the management of certain properties acquired by the late Khedive Ismail. With a view to paying off that debt an arrangement was made in 1877 by Messrs. Goschen & Joubert to float a loan having a first mortgage on the Daira Sanieh properties. The Khedivial Treasury engaged to make good any deficiency in the annual budget of the Daira Sanieh Administration after payment of the interest charge. The surplus revenue as well as the proceeds of sales were assigned to the redemption of the debt.

Later on the Daira properties were ceded to the Government. The Law of Liquidation, in confirming the cession, maintained the same arrangement.

In 1890, the loan was converted, the balance of the debt standing at £7,299,360.

In 1898 the Government entered into an agreement with a group of financiers who undertook to realise the assets of the Daira, to pay off the balance of the debt, and to share the possible eventual profits equally with the Government. The venture turned out unexpectedly successful for both parties.

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PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Mr. and Lady Victoria Machell left Marseilles on Friday by the Orient-Pacific liner Ortona for Egypt.

Prince and Princess Duleep Singh are also on the Ortona.

The Countess of Enniskillan has sailed from Marseilles for Egypt by the P. and O. Britannia.

The King has been pleased to approve of Baron von Humboldt-Dachroeden, late German Consul at Alexandria, as German Consul-General at Capetown for British South Africa.

We regret to inform our readers that the illness from which Sir Elwin Palmer is suffering proves to be an attack of enteric fever, though the case is happily not regarded as serious by the doctors. The utmost sympathy is felt for Sir Elwin Palmer prostrated by illness in the middle of his work and the season, and for Lady Palmer, on whom must fall the burden of considerable anxiety and trouble.

We are glad to learn that Mr. Aspinall, the popular secretary of the Turf Club, Cairo, who has been laid up at Al Hayat, Helouan, with a severe attack of gout, is now making steady progress towards recovery. It will be some little time, however, before he will be fit to resume his duties.

Sir Charles Metcalfe has arrived from South Africa at the Savoy Hotel, Cairo.

H. H. Prince Ibrahim Pasha Halim and Herr von Mohl were among the passengers who arrived yesterday by the Austrian mail.

We regret to announce the death of Saleh Bey Heddeni, a member of the Alexandria Municipal Council, which took place on Sunday morning. Deceased was one of the members of the Alexandria Municipality nominated by the Government. The funeral took place yesterday.

The following passengers left for the Nile by the Nefertari on Friday: — Mr. A. Mee, Miss Mee, Mr. and Mrs. Kirkitirp, Shakir Bey Gazzi, Mme Shakir Gazzi, Miss Malvany, Miss E. Malvany, Mr. and Mrs. Bollotte, Mr. Hay, Mr. Dyer, Miss F. A. Taylour, Mr. and Mrs. Frank.

The following were the passengers by the P. S. Amenartas yesterday: — Dr. and Mrs. Weleminsky, Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins, Mr. L. Liebenthal, Miss E. Liebenthal, Mr. Thomas Inglis, Mr. Samuel Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. G. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Heinrich Mayer.

CAIRO SEASON FIXTURES.

The following is a list of proposed events for the forthcoming Cairo Season :—

January.		
8th Monday.		Anniversary of Accession of H.H. the Khedive. Review of Troops.
12th Friday.		Skye Meeting.
24th Wednesday.		2nd Winter Race Meeting.
26th Friday.		2nd Winter Race Meeting.
30th Tuesday.		Sports Preliminary.
31st Wednesday.		Sports and Tournament.
February.		
1st Thursday.		Field Day.
8th Thursday.		Field Day.
12th Monday to 15th Thursday.		Rifle Meeting.
16th Friday.		Horse Show.
21st Wednesday.		3rd Winter Race Meeting.
22nd Thursday.		Field Day.
23rd Friday.		3rd Winter Race Meeting.
March.		
9th Friday.		Gymkhana.
12th Monday to 20th Tuesday.		Racecourse.
24th Saturday and 25th Sunday.		Horticultural Show.
April.		
First week.		R.A. Military Tournament.
Last week		Military Schools Sports.

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK.

(Coptic and Mohamedan.)

Dec.		
Sun.	24.	Manuring of fields. End of late rice harvest. Season for transplanting large trees.
Mon.	25.	The leaves of rose trees fall. Watermelons and cucumbers. Christmas of the Franks.
Tues.	26.	Ripening of citrons. Beginning of intense cold.
Wed.	27.	Beginning of Syrian 40 days. End of falling of leaves.
Thur.	28.	Sow winter potatoes.
Fri.	29.	Festival of St. Daniel. Abundance of fleas.
Sat.	30.	Dry food should be used.

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TRIBUNAL DE COMMERCE MIXTE

L'AFFAIRE DU "CAIRO"

Le tribunal Mixte de Commerce d'Alexandrie vient de prononcer son jugement dans l'affaire du "Cairo".

En voici les principaux attendus :

Attendu que la Société Générale de Navigation Italienne Florio Rubattino ayant fait abandon du navire et du fret, les demandeurs ont conclu à la nomination du Sieur Prencipe déjà nommé tiers consignataire du navire "Cairo" par ordonnance du référé du 21 mars 1905, liquidateur judiciaire pour la répartition amiable entre parties sauf à porter toute contestation devant ce tribunal ; qu'ils demandent en même temps la fixation du montant du préjudice matériel et moral subi par suite du naufrage ;

Attendu que la Société Florio Rubattino déclare que par suite de l'abandon elle n'a pas de conclusions à prendre du chef de la liquidation des sommes réclamées à titre de dommages-intérêts et qu'elle adhère à la nomination du liquidateur judiciaire dans les termes de la demande ; qu'il y a lieu de lui donner acte de cette déclaration.

Attendu que le Comité des assureurs maritimes de Gênes tout en contestant les dommages moraux déclare s'en référer à justice pour le reste ;

Attendu en ce qui concerne les dommages-intérêts que les demandeurs font valoir le préjudice matériel résultant de la perte de leurs effets et le préjudice moral à eux causé par les angoisses et souffrances éprouvées pendant le naufrage ; qu'en l'espèce l'élément moral étant de nature impondérable et par suite non susceptible d'être apprécié en argent, le tribunal estime qu'il n'y a pas lieu de prendre en considération le prétendu préjudice moral et se borne à l'évaluation du préjudice matériel ;

Attendu que le serment "in litem" proposé par une partie des demandeurs n'est pas admissible, un tel serment n'étant prévu par aucun article du Code de Procédure ; que les demandes paraissant pour la plupart être exagérées, le tribunal en tenant compte de la situation respective des demandeurs dont une partie formait une troupe d'artistes dramatiques et les autres étaient passagers de 3me classe, pour la majeure partie de profession inconnue et après avoir procédé à une réduction tant proportionnelle que progressive à fixé ex æquo et bono les sommes plus bas indiquées en estimant qu'elles constituaient une suffisante réparation.

Par ces motifs :

Statuant publiquement et contradictoirement, le Ministère Public entendu, écartant toutes conclusions plus amples ou contraires ; joint les affaires inscrites au Rôle Général sub N° 3036 jusqu'à 3044, 3056, 3058, 3295 jusqu'à 3324 de la XXXème année et statuant par un seul et même jugement ;

Donne acte aux Sieurs Edward L. Lawrence, De Blanche L. Lawrence, De Yve Elizabeth C. Whiting, Sieur von Alten, Dr Hugo Wernicke de leur intervention ;

Donne acte à la Société Générale de Navigation Italienne Florio Rubattino qu'elle n'a pas de conclusions à prendre sur la liquidation des créances des demandeurs du chef de la perte de leurs effets ou dommages moraux et qu'elle adhère à la nomination d'un liquidateur dans les conditions de la demande ;

Nomme sur accord des parties le Sieur A. Prencipe liquidateur judiciaire pour la répartition du net produit du navire échoué "Cairo" et du fret abandonné ;

Liquide les créances des demandeurs et des intervenants von Alten et Wernicke en les réduisant aux sommes suivantes... (suit une liste complète et détaillée des demandeurs avec le montant de leurs indemnités respectives).

Dit que pour les sommes sus-énoncées les sus-nommés seront admis à la répartition confiée au liquidateur ;

Renvoie les parties à faire compte devant le liquidateur ; dit que toute question relative à la répartition notamment en ce qui concerne la détermination du fret abandonné, les frais de sauvetage et les droits éventuels de privilège ou de préférence entre passagers et chargeurs, les contestations seront portées devant ce tribunal pour y être statué ultérieurement sur requête de la partie la plus diligente.

Dépens à la charge de la liquidation.

Le Président,
(Signé) DR ZOLTAN.

Ce jugement accorde à Ernesto Novelli une somme de 75000 francs et à Olga Giannini une autre somme de 40000 francs. Le total général des indemnités est d'environ 200,000 francs.

ORDRE DU JOUR DE LA COMMISSION.

Une séance de la Commission Municipale aura lieu mercredi 27 Décembre 1905, à 4 h. p.m. au palais municipal avec l'ordre du jour suivant :

1.—Budget de 1906.

2.—Rapport du Comité des Plantations sur le projet des parcs et jardins.

3.—Interpellation de Monsieur Zouro sur diverses questions.

4.—Proposition de principe tendant à la construction d'un destructeur d'immondices.

5.—Recettes et compises, suivant états de la Délégation des 21 Novembre et 12 Décembre 1905 ainsi que expropriations pour l'ouverture de la rue allant de la rue Matualli à la rue de la Marine et pour l'établissement d'une place sur la nécropole d'Anfouchy.

6.—Communications diverses.

LES HABITATIONS ECONOMIQUES

On nous communique la traduction suivante d'un article du *Messagiere Egiziano* :

C'est avec une réelle satisfaction et un ferme espoir de réussite que le public de notre ville a appris que la Municipalité a pris en sérieuse considération le projet des "habitations économiques" présenté par la Commission Internationale des Locataires, et a, séance tenante, afin de mieux étudier, apprécier et résoudre la question vitale des loyers, nommé un Comité spécial composé de MM. Fenderl, Mansour Bey Youssef, Zervadachi et Chataway Bey.

Ce faisant, la Municipalité d'Alexandrie, consciente des justes plaintes qui s'élèvent journellement de la classe ouvrière—cette dernière est celle, en effet, qui se ressent le plus des augmentations toujours croissantes des loyers—vient d'accomplir, par sa louable détermination, une œuvre hautement humanitaire, qui lui vaudra non seulement la reconnaissance de la population ouvrière de la ville, mais encore la satisfaction d'avoir soulagé un nombre considérable de familles qui souvent sont obligées de se priver de manger pour pouvoir arriver à payer leur terme.

Nous vivons dans un siècle où le progrès est à l'ordre du jour, et nécessite pour l'homme une juste récompense de ses fatigues. Il doit, sans exiger le superflu, avoir le nécessaire, afin de demeurer sain et robuste, actif et laborieux et par suite honnête et bon.

Il existe ici des personnes, qui ne manquent ni de cœur, ni d'intelligence, et qui n'étant pas égoïstes, ont compris que le pays a le droit d'évoluer vers le progrès et la civilisation.

Les membres dont se compose le Comité d'étude nommé par la Commission sont pleinement à la hauteur de la mission qui leur a été confiée, et c'est pleins d'espoir dans leur réussite que nous attendons avec impatience le jour où la ville entière se fera un devoir de remercier publiquement les personnes qui auront participé à un tel relèvement économique.

Vous, dons, Messieurs, qui avez été choisis pour résoudre une question sur et pour le bien général, nos vœux, les plus sincères vous accompagnent. Accomplissez votre haute mission de façon à ce qu'on puisse, dans la suite, vous citer comme exemple de conseillers honnêtes, capables et philanthropiques.

Avant de terminer, permettez moi, à titre de reconnaissance, de remercier chaudement chaque membre en particulier de la Commission des Locataires. Sans être rebutés par les fatigues, les désillusions, affrontant toutes espèces de difficultés, et confiants dans leurs bonnes actions et leur devoir ils ont su lutter avec une énergie indomptable, contre tous ceux qui s'opposèrent à leurs desseins, montrant à cette classe ouvrière et laborieuse, dont ils avaient assumé la défense, qu'ils étaient toujours là pour protéger ses intérêts vitaux.

Sans s'attarder aux mesquines insinuations qui ont été faites à ce sujet, la louable décision de la Municipalité y a mis un terme et c'est avec impatience que le public en attend le résultat.

VISITORS LISTS.

HOTEL DU NIL, CAIRO.

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Alexandria, 21st December, 1905. 26976-4-3

PASSENGER LISTS.

ARRIVALS.

Per S.S. Singapore of the Florio Rubattino arrived on Sunday from Genoa and Messina :— M. D. Grigoire, M. Blinstein, M. Cicognotto, M. W. H. Garther and family, M. P. Granchis, M. Carroll and sons, M. P. Zecchi, Count and Countess de la Faille, M. Robins, M. Chamballan, M. Biancolini, M. E. Chemla, M. Billings, M. Cipriotti and family, M. Miconzai, M. and Mme Ojetti, Mr. Drallen and sons, Rev. Father Ledovico, Mgr. D'Angrogna, Mr. Roberts West, M. and Mme Conti Gino, Mr. Barton, M. Galperisi, M. Pedoy and comp., and 100 third class passengers.

Per S.S. Portugal of the Messageries Maritimes arrived this morning from Marseilles : Capt. Hint, M. Holman, Prince Ali Halim and family, Mr. Holmes, M. J. de Sinety, Mme de Sinety and child, M. D. Afif, M. A. Vibaux, M. Bécbet, M. Escoffier, M. Cattaneo, M. Pandrix, Mme Bellé, Mme Deturines and child, M. Mallet, Mr. Latham, M. Bérard, Mme Bérard, Mme Subercaseaux, M. Subercaseaux, M. de Barrot, M. de Beaucorps, M. Le jeune, M. and Mme Cottrell, M. Chaseau, M. Comprani, Mme Darcier, Mme Decenbourg, M. Constantinidis, M. G. N. Adabachian, Mme Barrière Bey, M. Marcel Poulet, M. Caridi, Mr. and Mme Birch, and 40 third and fourth classes passengers.

Per S.S. Habsburg of the Austrian Lloyd arrived yesterday from Trieste and Brindisi :— Dr. Albert Hirsch, Mme Hirsch, Mme Hélène Wolf, Carl Baron de Seckendorff, Baroness de Seckendorff, Baroness Dobrzensky, M. Sciver, M. Kervian, M. Malove, Comm. and Mme Vivante, M. L. David, M. Dallapiazza, Mme Stanich, M. Reichenfeld, Dr. Brstenfeld, M. and Mme Metana, Mr. Longlath, M. Levi, Baron Heinse, M. Lasson, Mrs. Carey, M. Terracina, Mme Oberhuff, M. and Mme Waldmeier, M. and Mme Weinberger, Mme Bemung, M. Holden and family, M. Bindernagel, Her von Mohl, Mme de Cary, Mme Neels, M. Hosberg, M. and Mme Schway, M. Glocscher, M. Schneider and comp., M. Plasch, M. Hagymassy, M. Theimer, H. H. Ibrahim Pacha Halim, M. Pils, M. Strosburger, M. O. A. Gardener, M. and Madame Lederer, Mr. H. Longstreth, Mr. and Mrs. Ripley, Baron de Menasce, and 22 third class passengers.

DEPARTURES.

Per S.S. "Cleopatra" sailed on Saturday for Brindisi and Trieste :— M. A. de Staercke, Capt. Ricolli, Mr. F. R. Barker, M. Oberdorfer, M. Chalekiopoulos, M. A. G. Ritter, M. and Mme Harsant, Miss Vernon, Count Margani, M. Holtzmann, M. Tuholaka, M. Ritter von Dittel, M. S. Brandy, M. H. Rogel, M. Er. Roth, M. Hadjès, M. Brons, M. Raschner, Mme Fortunata Levi, M. M. Mordo, and 14 third class passengers.

Calendar of Coming Events.

ALEXANDRIA.

December.

Tues.	26	Parish Room, Bulkeley. "The Desert of Sinai," by Dr. Ruffer, C.M.G. 5.30.
		Zizinia Theatre. Italian opera company in *Fedora*. 9.
		Alhambra. French operetta company in *Les Mousquetaires au Couvent*. 9.15.
Fri.	29	Merchant Seamen's Home. Xmas Treat.
		Parish Room, Bulkeley. Concert. 9.
Sat.	30	Moharrem Bey Common. St. Andrew's 1st Eleven v. 2nd Eleven. 3.30.
		Mustapha Rifle Range. Practice B.R.C. Weather permitting. 2.30.

CAIRO.

December.

Tues.	26	Khedivial Opera House. French comedy company. 9.
		Theatre des Nouveautés. 9.30.
		Alcazar Parisien. 9.30.
		Mena House Hotel. Small Dance.
		National Hotel. Small Dance. 9.30.
Thurs	28	Khedivial Opera House. *Antar*. 9.
		Ghezireh Palace. Small Dance.
		Mena House. Bracale Orchestra. Small Dance.
Fri.	29	Ghezireh F. C. v. M. M. P.
		Zoological Gardens. Ghiseh Boys' Band. Afternoon.
		Railway Institute v. H. Co. Inniskillings. Fur. Kick off 3 at Ghezireh Badrane.
Sat.	30	Savoy Hotel. Small Dance. 10 p.m.
Sun.	31	Zoological Gardens. R. A. Infantry Band, Afternoon.

January.

Mon.	1	Shepheard's. Small Dance.

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	The Company's Offices.	Postal Telegraph Offices.
	H. M.	H. M.
London	—	—
Liverpool	—	—
Manchester	—	—
Glasgow	—	—
Other Provincial Offices	—	—
Bank Holiday,		

Societe Anonyme des Eaux du Caire

AVIS

Il est porté à la connaissance du public que le Conseil d'Administration de la Société a décidé de réduire de 22 % le prix de l'eau fournie aux Bornes-fontaines publiques.

En conséquence, à partir du 1er Janvier 1906 on pourra obtenir l'eau aux dites fontaines à raison de P.T. 3 (trois piastres tarif) le mètre cube au lieu de P.T. 3,857 payées jusqu'ici.

Cette réduction de prix ayant été décidée par la Société dans le seul but d'en faire profiter les habitants de la Ville, le public est prié de veiller à ce que la dite réduction lui soit faite par les saka qui lui fournissent l'eau, afin de ne pas laisser ces derniers profiter du rabais qui n'a été consenti qu'en faveur du public.

La vente d'eau au détail aux Bornes-fontaines, s'établit donc comme suit :

Le tonneau de 660 kilos de jauge 20 millièmes — La guerbe de 66 „ „ 2 „
L'estagnon de 22 „ „ 3/4 „
et pour toute quantité dépassant la jauge ci-dessus, chaque 4 kilos seront comptés à 1/8 de millième.

Le Caire, le 19 Décembre 1905.

Le Directeur
ASTLEY C. F. FRIEND.

26974-30A-1

MUNICIPALITE D'ALEXANDRIE

AVIS

La Municipalité met en adjudication la fourniture de divers articles pour le Service du Nettoiement pour l'exercice 1906.

Le cautionnement est fixé à 15 % de l'offre.

Le cahier des charges est déposé au Bureau de Nettoiement où il peut être consulté par les intéressés tous les jours de 9 h. à midi, les jours fériés exceptés.

Les offres devront être adressées sous pli cacheté à Monsieur l'Administrateur de la Municipalité avant le 16 Janvier 1906.

Elles pourront également être déposées en séance de la Délégation le même jour à 5 h. p.m.

L'enveloppe devra porter en outre la mention: "Soumission pour fourniture de divers articles pour Service du Nettoiement.

Le cautionnement ou la reçu d'une banque, d'après les conditions du cahier des charges, devra être remis séparément au Service de la Comptabilité Générale avant l'ouverture des offres et au plus tard le 16 Janvier 1906 à midi.

Toute offre qui ne remplit pas les conditions ci-dessus sera écartée.

L'Administrateur,
(Signé) W. P. CHATAWAY.

Alexandrie, le 20 Décembre 1905. 26971-3-3

AVIS

Le Mercredi 27 Décembre courant de 3 à 5 h. p.m. la Municipalité procédera à la vente aux enchères publiques dans ses dépôts de la rue du Ier Khédive d'une quantité de m3. 400 environ de moëllons divisés en lots de 40 à 100 m3.

Les acheteurs devront payer le droit d'enchères de 1 % et déposer le 10 % de la valeur de la marchandise achetée au moment de la vente et effectuer le paiement intégral à la Caisse Municipale le lendemain du jour de l'adjudication.

Ils auront à supporter les droits de carrière à profit de la Ville et devront enlever les pierres achetées dans un délai de dix jours sous peine de folle enchère pour compte de l'adjudicataire.

L'Administrateur
(Signé) W. P. CHATAWAY.

Alexandrie, le 19 Décembre 1905. 26974-3-3

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

ALEXANDRIA HARBOUR.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 23.

Jupiter, Aust. s. Trieste and Corfu, Austrian Lloyd.
Dalgas, Dan. s. Wiborg, Barber & Son.
T. Ishatschoff, Rus. s. Odessa and Sulu, Cie Russe.

Dec. 24.

Vassiliosa Olga, Greek s. Salonica, Nanopulo.
Biagapora, Ital. s. Genoa and Messina, Florio-Rubattino.
Wingrove, Brit. s. Cardiff, Barker & Co.
Helga, Brit. s. Newcastle, Barber & Son.
Daphne, Aust. s. Constantinople and Port Said, Austrian Lloyd.
Maria Elisabeth, French s. Marseilles and Jaffa, Dieb.
Lys, Belg. s. Antwerp, Kalfaian.
Pastnet, Brit. s. Barber & Son.
Israkrose, Dan. s. Gnarp, Barber & Son.
Athènes, Greek s. Smyrna and Crete, Kechayas.

Dec. 25.

Habsburg, Aust. s. Trieste and Brindisi, Austrian Lloyd.
Phanny, Greek s. Galats and Constantinople, Homsy.
Ayr, Brit. s. New-York and Algiers, Barker & Co.
Lasareff, Rus. s. Odessa and Port Said, Cie Russe.
Tuscan Prince, Brit. s. London and Malta, Grace & Co.
Dalmally, Brit. s. Savannah and Gibraltar, Barber & Son.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 23.

Cleopatra, Aust. s. Brindisi and Trieste.
Kossair, Brit. s. Port Said and Syria.
Vesland, Dutch s. England.
Armonia, Ital. s. Syria, with part of previous cargo.
Amerios, Ott. s. Port Sudan.
Assouan, Brit. s. Constantinople.

Dec. 24. Nil.

Dec. 25.

Milo, Brit. s. Marina.
Magda, Greek s. Rhodes and Salonica.
Vassiliosa Olga, Greek s. Piraeus.

Egyptian Delta Light Railways.

AVIS DE TIRAGE D'AMORTISSEMENT.

Emprunt de £250,000.—Emission 1897.

Le 19 Décembre 1905 il a été procédé publiquement dans les bureaux de la Compagnie, au tirage au sort de cinquante-trois (53) obligations de la "Compagnie des Chemins de Fer Economiques de l'Est Egyptien," de Let 20 nominales chacune, amortissable le 1er Janvier 1906.

Les numéros suivants sont sortis :—

10389	7083	6692	1535	341
5819	8988	1945	10061	519
4371	4197	1192	8492	7483
6618	5864	12324	10437	7922
6066	1613	6025	2038	6394
1967	7414	4523	7143	8806
12029	6829	1855	3903	10141
11531	12381	9974	523	9027
1970	10361	6394	7080	604
2674	618	2465	892	1412
		6316	57	4435

Le remboursement des dites obligations aura lieu :—

A Londres, Paris, Amsterdam, Bruxelles et Genève par les soins de la "Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas," à Paris. 26997-3-1

MARCHE DE MINET-EL-BASSAL

26 décembre 1905.—(11h.55 a.m.)

Onions—Offerer du marché du 23 décembre : Calme, sans changement.

EGYPTIAN

Fair, Fully Fair, Good Fair, Fully Good Fair et Good : Sans changement

HAUTE-EGYPTE ET FAYOUM

Fair, Fully Fair, Good Fair, Fully Good Fair et Good : Sans changement

ARRABI

Fully Good Fair, Good, Extra : Sans changement

IMBOVICH

Fully Good Fair, Good, Extra : Sans changement

Etat du marché de ce jour, coton : Calme

Les arrivages de ce jour se chiffrent par cantars 94918 contre même jour l'année précédente cantars 85578

Graines de coton.—Sans changement

	Disponible	Ticket
Mit-Afifi	58	Rien
Haute-Egypte	57	Rien

Blés.—Très fermes

Qualité Saida.—Cond. Saha P.T. — à —
„ *Ladera* „ „ 122 à 132

Fèves.—Sans affaires

Orges.—Sans affaires

Lupins.—Disponible : —

Qualité Saida Cond. Saha P.T. 140 à 150

Lentilles.—Sans affaires

Disponible : Rien

Cond. Saha P.T. 125 à 135

Orges.—Sans changement
„ Cond. Saha P.T. 72 à 76

Maïs.—Calme

Disponible : Rien.
„ Cond. Saha P.T. 78 à 83

Les prix suivants ont été pratiqués ce jour :

COTON
C.I.F.
(BASSE-EGYPTE)

Province	Dèbera	
Damanhour	— De P.T. 260	à 290
	Province	Garbieh
Kafr-Zayat	— De P.T. 305	à 320
Tantah	— „ „	300 à 320

SECTION DES GRAINES ET CEREALES

PRIX FRANCO-STATION : DISPONIBLE TICKET

Graines de coton Afifi P.T.	58	à P.T.	—
„ Haute-Egypte „	57	„	„ —
Blé Saïdi „	— —	„	„ —
Fèves Saïdi „	— —	„	„ —
„ Fayoumi „	— —	„	„ —

ARRIVAGES

des dim. 24, lundi 25 et mardi 26 déc. 1905
Documents de l'"Alexandria General Produce Association."

	CHEMINS DE FER	BARQUES
Cotons	— S/B 11385	—
Graines de coton	sac. 55593	—
Blés Saïdi	— „ „	—
„ Béhera	— 109	—
Fèves Saïdi	— 426	—
„ Béhera	— —	—
Orge	— —	—
Maïs	— 30	—
Lentilles	— —	—

Cotons.—Total des arrivages depuis le 1er septembre 1905 jusqu'à ce jour, cantars 3,566,746

Graines de coton.—Total des arrivages depuis la 1er septembre 1905 jusqu'à ce jour, Ard. 2,061,366

Contre même jour en 1904 :

	RAILWAY ET CHEMINS DE FER	BARQUES
Coton	S/B 10312	—
Graines de coton	sac 45466	—
Blés Saïdi	—	10
„ Béhera	—	—
Fèves Saïdi	—	49
„ Béhera	—	—
Orge	—	—
Maïs	—	215
Lentilles	—	—

Cotons.—Total des arrivages depuis le 1er septembre 1904 jusqu'à ce jour, cantars 3,863,621

Graines de coton.—Total des arrivages depuis le 1er septembre 1904 jusqu'à ce jour Ard. 1,823,948

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

	Banks' buying	Banks' selling
London cheque	97	97
„ 3m. bank paper	96	96
„ 3m. house paper	—	96
Paris cheque	387	389
„ 3m. bank paper	384	386
„ 3m. house paper	384	—
Switzerland cheque	387	389
„ 3m. bank paper	382	—
Germany cheque	477	479
„ 3m. bank paper	—	—
Italian cheque	387	389
Vienna & Trieste cheque	405	407
Constantinople cheque	89	89

Less one per mille brokerage.

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TO OUR VISITORS.

The Egyptian Gazette has much pleasure in presenting to its subscribers the accompanying description of some of the many interesting routes by which they may travel homewards. Great care has been taken to arrange them as accurately and concisely as possible, and it will be found that none of them are fraught with difficulty. In choosing the route home there are several things to be considered To begin with there is the difference in climate between Egypt and the various points at which you may arrive in Europe.

This depends partly upon the month in which you leave Egypt, for Cairo in January may be a little warmer than the Riviera, and possibly not so warm as Sicily, but in March it will be warmer than Rome, and more uniformly warm than many other places in Europe Many people leave Egypt far too early in the year, for as a rule the sea her in April and May is perfect. The warmest place to go to on leaving Egypt is Sicily.

Some will want to take into consideration the number of days to be spent at sea, and we therefore subjoin a list showing the time occupied on each of the various routes between Egypt and the Continent of Europe.

They are as follows :—

The long sea routes—from Port Said or Alexandria to Plymouth, Southampton, London or Liverpool—occupy about 14 days. The short ones are as follows :—	
Port Said or Alexandria to Brindisi	3 days
Alexandria to Messina...	3 „
Port Said or Alexandria to Marseilles	5 „
Alexandria to Venice and Trieste...	4 „
Alexandria to Naples	3 „
Port Said to Genoa... ...	5 „
Port Said to Naples	4 „
Alexandria to Constantinople ...	4 „
Alexandria to Piræus	2 „
Port Said to Gibraltar... ...	7 „

The steamers, of the P. & O. North German Lloyd, Orient and Messageries Maritimes are the largest. The Anchor, British India, and Bibby Lines are also excellent, and their steamers are largely patronised by travellers to Egypt.

As regards the train journeys from Cairo, the shortest is that to Alexandria, without change (3 hours). That to Port Said, can now be made without change in 4½ hours.

The least expensive way to England is by the Mons, Papayanni, Prince, and Westcott lines of steamers from Alexandria to Liverpool. The German Levant line has also good steamers from Alexandria to Hamburg.

The most expensive but quickest through Continental routes are by P. & O. Brindisi express from Port Said, and the Austrian Lloyd Trieste-Vienna express from Alexandria.

As regards heavy luggage, it must be borne in mind that very little luggage is allowed free on the railways of Europe, but there are several good and responsible forwarding agents in Egypt who undertake at a fixed charge to deliver packages to any address in Europe.

The quickest manner of getting to Europe from Port Said is undoubtedly by the fast Mail Steamers "Osiris" and "Isis" to Brindisi. One of these leaves Port Said every week, as soon as possible after receiving the Indian mails from the great liner arrived from Bombay.

These shall but comfortable ships have enormously powerful engines, and attain a very high rate of speed. They are called the "Ferry boats," having been specially built to carry the British mail from Port Said to Brindisi. If you are going straight through to England you will find the train waiting at Brindisi which will take you to Calais without changing. It has complete arrangements for sleeping and eating on board, and you should arrive in London on the fifth day from leaving Port Said.

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PIAZZA MAZZINI, SYRACUSE (Sicily).
First Hotel in the Town.

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Hotel Metropole.
First-Class House. Beautiful Position. German Management.
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Proprietor: R. G BOSSIA.
GRAND HOTEL ISOTTA.
Proprietors: KIENAST, SCHUCANY & Co.
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SICILY.

The direct route to Sicily is by the Florio-Rubattino Co.'s steamers which leave Alexandria weekly for MESSINA, where one takes train to TAORMINA, one of the most charming and popular places on the island. *Giardini* is the station at which to alight, and the drive up to Taormina is most delightful, occupying about one hour. In and around the town is much to interest the visitor. The theatre is of Greek origin, but restored under the Romans. CATANIA is the starting place for the ascent of Etna and here also is a fine Cathedral. The Greek, Roman, and Saracenic remains that are found all over the island, are an endless source of pleasure. SYRACUSE has an interesting history, having been a Greek city, which was designed by Demosthenes in B.C. 413, and taken by the Romans in B.C. 212, when Archimedes was slain his tomb is to be seen. The cathedral was once an ancient pagan temple. PALERMO, with about 300,000 inhabitants, is the capital of the Island, and enjoys a delightful climate. Much of interest is to be found in this fine city. The *Palazzo Reale* is of Saracenic origin and close to it the church of *S. Giovannia degli Eremiti* with its picturesque cloisters. The Cathedral, Museum, Botanic Gardens, Villa Giulia and Royal Park are also worth a visit.

CENTRAL ITALY.

The fine steamers of the North German Lloyd leave Alexandria every Wednesday during the season for Naples, the voyage being only 3 days.

NAPLES is also reached in 10 hours from Palermo by the Florio-Rubattino Co.'s steamers, which leave daily. One cannot approach Naples or leave it without wishing to explore some of its islands, besides the lovely places on its bay—*Castellamare* and *Sorrento*. The small steamer that takes you to Sorrento [illegible] from Naples to [illegible] *Capri*.

From Naples to ROME is a train journey of but five hours. All who can will devote at least one week to visiting the many historical and interesting portions of the Eternal City, whose charms and beauties are too well-known to need comment here.

Leaving the Eternal City with much regret, a railway journey of five hours brings you to FLORENCE, where another week can well be spent admiring the *City of Flowers* and its surrounding country. In Florence itself the churches and galleries are of absorbing interest, whilst the local promenades and excursions should not be neglected. The *Cascine* is the most attractive and fashionable promenade in Florence, whilst the *Viale dei Colli*, one of the finest walks in Europe, opened 35 years ago, goes winding up through the hills a distance of four miles. The most delightful excursion outside Florence is that to *Vallombrosa*, with its *Monastery* 3,300 feet above the sea level. This is made first by ordinary train from Florence to *St. Ellero*, thence by cog-wheel railway to *Salting*. The ascent through groves of oaks takes an hour, and most striking panoramas are unfolded to view.

PISA is easily reached from Florence in about 2 hours, here there is a fine Cathedral and the Leaning Tower. A stay of at least one night should if possible be made, in order to enjoy the view from the Campanile at sunset.

VIAREGGIO. One of the most delightful places on the Italian Riviera near Pisa and on the main line from Rome to Genoa. It is a very convenient half-way house between Egypt and England, and where living is reasonable and the air and surroundings exceptionally good.

NORTHERN ITALY

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From Genoa to Milan is a matter of only three hours by rail.

MILAN is a good centre for Northern Italy before making the tour of the Lakes. The Cathedral is the principal attraction, with its beautiful windows illustrating the History of the Bible. The public gardens and the monumental cemetery are also worth a visit.

Between Bologna and Milan and only an hour and-a- half from Milan is SALSOMAGGIORE, a renowned health resort on account of its thermal springs, change trains at *Borgo San Donino* and in half-an-hour you are at Salsomaggiore.

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LOCARNO may be reached by rail from Bellinzona in forty minutes. This pretty town, situated at the top of Lake Maggiore, has a mild climate, and is an excellent winter resort. The church Madonna del Sasso, situated above the town, is worth a visit, as it contains interesting paintings, "Entombment" by Ghezi, and "The Flight into Egypt," by Brumattion.

LUCERNE.—A striking picture on the Lake of Lucerne facing the *Rigi* and *Pilatus* and the snow-clad Alps.

In and around the town the walks are charming, and the excursions to be made from Lucerne by boat, rail, etc., are very numerous. *The Lake of Lucerne* abounds in delightful excursions, those to the *Rigi*, *Pilatus*, *Burgenstock* and *Sonnenberg* needing a special visit each. Other excursions on the lake can be made by steamer, and the ever-changing scenery on the trip from *Lucerne to Fluelen* is a source of delight to the lover of nature.

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If possible tourists should arrange to be in Athens for the Orthodox Easter in order to witness the Good Friday and Easter Eve ceremonies, and to be present at the dancing on the Easter Tuesday festival held at Megara for which a special train is run from Athens.

It is worth while to spend a few days in CORFU on account of the beauty of the scenery. There is also good snipe and quail shooting to be had.

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CLOSING REPORTS

NEW-YORK, December 23

Cable transfers ... to 4 87⅞
The New York markets are closed to-day.

LONDON, December 23

Bar Silver (per oz d.)... 30 9/16
Private discount (3 month bills) ... 3⅛ ⅛

PARIS, December 23.

Banque d'Athènes ... 123 —
Crédit Foncier Egyptien ... 769 —
Crédit Lyonnais ... 1048 —
Comptoir National d'Escompte ... —
Land Bank of Egypt ... —
Ottoman Bank ... 595 —
Lots Turcs ... 136 —
Cheques on London ... 25.09 ½
Sugar White No. 3 (December) ... —

THE TELEGRAMME HAVAS

BOURSE du 23 décembre 1905

COURS DES VALEURS A TERME, CLOTURE

PARIS

Rente Française 3 % ... ex Fr. 98 72
Actions de Suez ... „ 4265 —
Lots Turcs ... „ 135 50
Turc Unifié ... „ 90 42
Dette Egyptienne Unifiée ... „ 105 50
Daira Sanieh ... „ —
Crédit Foncier Egyptien ... „ 767 —
Extérieur espagnol ... „ 91 27
Obl. Banque Nat. de Grèce ... „ —
Banque d'Athènes, actions ... „ —
Métropolitain ... „ —
Russe consolidé ... „ 77 60
Somnowics ... „ —
Change sur Londres ... „ 25 09½
Suere N° 3 disponible ... „ —
Suere N° 3 livrable le 4 de mars ... „ —

LONDRES

Consolidés anglais ... £ —
Escomptes. Paris 2 Londres 4 Berlin 6 %

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

Prices on Tuesday, December 19, 1905.

Abyssinia Bank	—	½ @ —	½ dis
Agricultural Banks	—	9 ½	— ⅝
„ Preferred	—	10 ⅛	— ⅛
„ 3½ % Bonds	—	93	— ½
Anglo-Egyptian Bank	—	12 ⅞	13 —
Central Egypt Exp. Co.	—	⅛	— ⅛
Credit Fonciers d'Egypte	—	15 ½	16 —
Corporation of Western Egypt	—	—	— ⅛ pm
Daira Sugar 4 % Deb	—	4 —	— ½
Daira Sanieh Ord.	—	17 —	— ½
„ Deferred	—	100 —	104 —
Delta Preference	—	11 ½	— ½
„ Deferred	—	10 —	14 —
Delta Lands	—	2 —	— ½
Egyptian Estates	—	1 ⅛	— ⅛
Egypt. Invest. & Agency	—	½	— ⅛ pm
Egypt. Trust & Invest	—	⅛	— ⅛ pm
Egyptian Markets	—	1 ⅛	— ½
Egyptian Mines Exploration Ltd.	—	8/	— 9/
Egyptian Sudan Mines	1	⅛	— ⅛
Eridia	1	½	— ⅝
Fatira	1	⅛	— ⅛
Khedivial Mail S.S. Co.	1	½	— ⅝
Land Bank of Egypt	7	½	8 x.r.
Mysore Reefs	9/	—	9/ —
New Egyptian	—	1 ⅛	— ⅛
National Banks	—	25 ½	— ⅝
Nile Valley	—	½	— ⅛
„ „ Blk "E"	—	½	— ⅛
N. Nile Valley	3/	—	3/ —
Salt & Soda	—	1 —	— ½
Sudan Exploration	1/6	—	2/6 —
Sudan Gold fields	—	⅛	— ⅛
Sudan Mines	—	⅛	— ⅛
Um Ras Gold Mine	—	⅛	— ⅛
United African Exp.	1	⅛	— ⅛
Union Foncière d'Egypte	—	½	— ⅝ pm

DELTA LIGHT RAILWAYS, LTD.

TRAFFIC RETURNS

	Week ended Dec. 16.	Same period last year	Increase	Dec.
	L.E.	L.E.	L.E.	L.E.
Kilometres open	868	837	31	—
Coaching	1916	1993	—	77
Goods and Sundries	1941	1781	160	—
Total	3857	3774	83	—
Receipts per kilometre	4443	4509	—	—
Total from commencement of half-year	41743	38799	2945	—

*Week ended 17th December 1904.

HELOUAN BRANCH

40	40	Increase	Dec.
441	451	—	10
392	344	48	—
833	795	39	—
20830	19864	—	—
Tot. from 1st Jan.	41105	35873	5232	—

COTON

Exportation du mois de novembre 1905

Angleterre	balles	80,123
France	„	9,922
Russie	„	6,647
Autriche	„	4,498
Italie	„	5,593
Allemagne	„	7,145
Espagne	„	7,092
Suisse	„	5,857
Belgique	„	92
Hollande	„	96
Indes	„	80
Japon	„	700
Suède	„	31
Turquie, Grèce et Roumanie	„	54
Portugal	„	64
	balles	122,014

Pesant cantars 934,874

N.B.—Dans les expéditions pour l'Angleterre sont comprises balles 11,991 à destination des Etats-Unis.

RESUME DE LA SITUATION COTONNIERE au 15 décembre

AMERIQUE:	1905 Balles	1904 Balles
Recettes aux ports Semaine	260,000	326,000
Rec. du 1er. Sept.	4,595,000	5,319,000
Export. Angleterre Semaine	170,000	121,000
Export. Angleterre du 1er Sept.	1,394,000	1,883,000
Export. Continent Semaine	100,000	157,000
Export. Continent du 1er Sept.	1,613,000	1,857,000
Pris par la filature Etats-Unis	1,830,000	1,816,000
Stock ports	1,170,000	1,029,000
Insight Semaine	390,000	465,000
Insight du 1 Sept.	6,309,000	7,196,000
Consom. Mondiale Amér. Semaine	318,000	374,000
Consom. Mondiale Amér. du 1 Sept.	4,001,000	3,960,000
Vis. supply amér.	3,899,000	3,718,000
Vis. supply général	4,383,000	4,115,000

GÉNÉRAL

LIVERPOOL:	1905 Balles	1904 Balles
Ventes Semaine	50,000	53,000
Forwarded	85,000	83,000
Importation	95,000	132,000
Exportation	12,000	3,000
Stock	800,000	637,000
Flottant	454,000	451,000

EGYPTIEN

	1905 Balles	1904 Balles
Ventes Semaine	1,500	2,600
Forwarded	19,000	7,000
Importation	27,000	3,000
Exportation	5,000	2,000
Stock	46,000	21,000
Flottant	26,000	47,000

NOLIS

HULL

Céréales	Shgs.	1/6	h —
Tourteaux	„	6/	— —
Graines de coton	„	7/6	— —
Oignons	„	—	— —

LONDRES

Céréales	Shgs.	1/6	h —
Tourteaux	„	6/	— —
Graines de coton	„	7/6	— —
Oignons	„	—	— —

PORTS DIRECTS

Graines de coton	Shgs.	8/6	h 9/
Céréales	„	1/6	⅛ 1/9

LIVERPOOL

Coton	Shgs.	11/	h —
Céréales	„	1/3	— —
Tourteaux	„	8/	— —
Graines de coton	„	9/	— —
Oignons	„	—	— —

CONTINENT

(HAMYRG-DUNKERQUE)

Graines de coton (Dunkerque)	Fr.	12	h —
„ „ (Nantes)	„	13	— —
Fèves	„	11	— —
Oignons	„	—	— —

MARSEILLE

Fèves	Fr.	7	h 8.—
Graines de coton	„	7	„ 8.—

DESTINATIONS DIVERSES

Coton: Odessa, Trieste, Venise, Gênes Marseille	Fr. 2.—	par 100 kilog.
Barcelone	„ 2.35	
Le Havre	„ 3.—	
Dunkerque	„ 2.50	
Anvers	„ 2.—	
Hambourg	„ 20.— à 22.50	par tonne poids
St.-Pétersbourg	„ 25.—	
New-York	„ 25.—	
Bombay	„ 30.—	

Alexandrie, le 21 décembre 1905

EGYPTIAN MINING MARKET.

NAME OF COMPANY	Making up Prices Nov. 27	Latest Prices Dec. 8
Central Egypt Exploration	⅛	⅛
Corporation of W. Egypt	⅛pm	⅛pm
Egypt. Mines Explor. Synd.	11/6	⅛
Egyptian Options	—	1
Egypt. and Sudan Mining Synd.	1½	1 ⅛
Egypt. Trust and Invest.	½pm	½pm
Nile Goldfields	—	⅛
Nile Valley Block E.	—	⅛
Nile Valley (New)	—	⅛
North Nile Valley	—	⅛
Nubia (Sudan) Dev. Synd.	⅛	⅛
Sedan Explor. (10s. Shares)	3/32	1/ 2/6
Sudan Mines	—	⅛
Um Ras Gold Mines	—	⅛
United African Explor.	1½	1⅛ ⅛

COALS.

Current prices per ton free on wagon.

		Per ton	Shgs.	Shgs.
CARDIFF	Best quality		25.	@ —
HAWORTH	Best quality		24	„ —
HAWGARTH	Bonsal		19 6	„ —
„	Cowpen		19 6	„ —
„	Hastings		18 9	19.
„	West Hartley Main		18 9	19.
SOUTH	Merry's		18 9	19.
„	Hedley		18 9	19.
„	Dunlops		18 9	19.
„	Best Hamilton		18 9	19.
YORKSHIRE	Micklefield		18 9	19.
LIVERPOOL	Best Lancashire		18 9	19.
TYNE & WEAR	Ashes		24 6	— —
„	Crown		24 6	— —
„	Star		24 6	— —
„	Arrow		24 6	— —
„	Swansea Gaelgula		24 6	— —
„	Swansea Atlantic		24 6	— —
NEWCASTLE	Foundry Coke		40	— —
„	Gas Coke		27 6	— 30

EGYPTIAN MARKETS, LIMITED

APPROXIMATIVE RETURNS

Week ended Nov. 30/1905. same period 1904

Cattle markets	L.E. 120	L.E. 265
General markets	„ 116	„ 198
Tot. for 120 markets	317	463
Tot. returns for current year date	L.E. 23,080	
same period last year	„ 25,396	

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	Billets L.E.	Abonnements L.E.	Carnets et Divers L.E.
An. cour.	617	—	149
„ der.	617	17	92
Augment.			57
Dim.		17	

TOTAUX.—Année courante 766; année dernière 746; Augmentation 40

du 1er octobre 1905 au samedi 16 déc. 1905

	Billets L.E.	Abonnements L.E.	Carnets et Divers L.E.
Année cour.	8,620	349	1,795
„ der.	7,112	930	1,099
Augment.	1,508		696
Dim.		581	

TOTAUX.—Année courante 10,764; année dernière 9,141; Augmentation 1,623.

ALEXANDRIA TRAMWAY COMPANY

du dimanche 10 déc. au samedi 16 déc. 1905

	Billets L.E.	Carnets et Divers L.E.	TOTAUX L.E.
Année cour.	1,076	140	1,216
„ der.	1,058	96	1,154
Augment.	18	44	62

du 1er janvier au samedi 16 déc. 1905

	Billets L.E.	Carnets et Divers L.E.	TOTAUX L.E.
Année cour.	59,669	7,349	67,017
„ der.	52,399	6,570	58,969
Augment.	7,270	779	8,048

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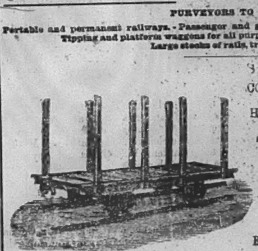

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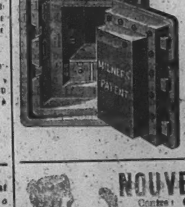

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